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WHEELER BROTHERS TAKE THE FIELD TOGETHER—At the start of Saturday's Homecoming football game against Boothbay, Telstar seniors and twin brothers Zac and Travis Wheeler took the field together for the coin toss. Although they began playing the game together in third grade, Travis, who has cerebral palsy, later decided to stop playing and help out instead as team manager. He has continued in that role through high school, never missing a game. For their last Homecoming game Travis was named honorary captain and went on the field at the start of the game for the toss. Travis is shown here at left in a team jersey, and Zac is next to him.

Paula Wheeler

Andover, Newry to vote Tuesday

BY ALISON ALOISIO

Andover and Newry voters go to the polls Tuesday to decide separate school withdrawal issues.

For Andover, it's whether or not to actually withdraw from SAD 44. A 2/3 majority of those voting is required.

For Newry, it's whether or not to study the option of withdrawal and prepare an educational/financial plan for voters to consider at a future date, at a cost up to \$50,000. A simple majority is required.

The question on Andover's ballot will read:

"Do you favor the withdrawal of the Town of Andover from the Regional School Unit, RSU 44 D/B/A SAD 44, subject to the terms and conditions of the withdrawal agreement dated June 19, 2014?"

Another article asks: "If Article 1 is approved, shall the size of the Andover School Committee be expanded from 3 to 5 members effective on the date of the next

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11th-grade test scores improve, highlight needs

BY AMY CHAPMAN

Data from the past three years shows a steady rise in standardized test scores for Telstar juniors in all subject areas, the SAD 44 School Board learned last week.

Paula Leavitt, who recently joined the district as assistant superintendent for special education, curriculum, and special projects, reported on the most recent results of the Maine High School Assessment, given to the district's 11th graders last spring.

The MHSA consists of the SAT, which assesses reading, writing, and mathematics skills, along with a separate test for science.

While statewide average scores have remained constant, district scores have gone up by between one and four points in every subject in each of the past two years.

(Scores for each content area are reported on a scale of 1100-1180.)

The most recent local scores fall within one or two points of the state average for each area: 1140 for SAD 44 students vs. 1141 statewide for reading; 1138 vs. 1140 for writing; 1140 vs. 1142 for math; and 1142 vs. 1141 for science.

"You can see that there has been an upward tick in all of them, and that's what I'd like to draw your attention to, that things are getting better," Leavitt said. "If you look at the state average, it has pretty much stayed the same, and yet we continue to make good, solid improvement."

Leavitt believes the district-wide focus on developing competency through student learning outcomes, a

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Satellite Ski Museum planned for Bethel

The Ski Museum of Maine is expanding.

Next spring the Museum plans to establish a satellite museum in Bethel, according to a press release. Like the museum's primary site in Kingfield, the Bethel location will exhibit artifacts, photographs, artwork and documents taken from Maine's rich alpine and nordic ski heritage.

The Oxford County region of Western Maine will be in the spotlight at the Bethel location, where exhibits will explore topics such as the Portland-to-Fryeburg snow trains of the 1930s, Maine's first ski lift in 1936 and Maine's pioneering double chairlift at Pleasant Mountain in 1954. Other themes will include the successful development of Sunday River

and Mt. Abram - contrasted with the calamitous failure of Evergreen Valley, the release said.

On the Nordic side, the exhibit will feature the Chisholm Ski Club (by far Maine's oldest) and its world-renowned competition trails at Black Mountain plus Bethel-area cross-country centers and shops - including those founded

by the late Dave Carter, a Maine Ski Hall of Fame inductee, according to the release.

Norway and Paris were major centers of ski manufacturing between the early 1900s and the mid-1960s, and the museum will feature that history. For example, during World War II Paris

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Bethel ponders putting more salt on winter roads

BY ALISON ALOISIO

The Bethel Public Works Department could start to experiment this winter with using new salt material on some town roads ahead of snowstorms to try to avoid the buildup of ice that happened last year.

Selectmen Monday heard a presentation on the benefits

of pre-treating roads with salt brine, calcium chloride and magnesium chloride.

Phil Curtis, a consultant with the Maine Local Roads Center, made the presentation at the request of Selectman Pat Carter. Carter said she was concerned that weather patterns are changing, resulting

in more types of storms that lead to ice buildup.

Curtis said this past winter was particularly challenging. He said that since 2000, the Maine Department of Transportation has adopted a 'salt priority' program.

He said that by putting down combinations of salt treatments before or at the

very beginning of a storm, road crews can prevent the buildup of ice and save on materials and labor needed to remove it later.

"If you wait for two inches of snow, you're behind already," said Curtis. "Once it freezes, you're de-icing rather than anti-icing. It

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Rite Aid presents \$10,000 grant to Mahoosuc Kids Association

The Rite Aid Foundation has presented a \$10,000 KidCents grant to the Mahoosuc Kids Association, according to a press release.

Mahoosuc Kids, based in Bethel, offers before and after-school child care and enrichment programs for students in grades K-12.

The grant is in celebration of an enhancement to The Rite Aid Foundation's KidCents program, an in-store 'Round Up' program that supports nonprofit organizations dedicated to improving the health and well-being of children, the release said.

Members of the company's Wellness+ Program now have the ability to designate their 'round

up' change to one of the 205 approved KidCents charities on www.kidcents.co, according to the release. Each of the 205 inaugural KidCents charities, which were selected by Rite Aid associates across the country, will receive a \$10,000 KidCents grant, totaling over \$2 million in donations from The Rite Aid Foundation.

"Mahoosuc Kids is certainly honored to be selected by the Rite Aid Foundation as one of the first KidCents charities," MKA Director Ju-

lie Hart said Monday. "We appreciate the nomination that came from the staff of our local Rite Aid store."

Hart said the MKA Board of Directors will have its first fall meeting today (Thursday) and will discuss the options for the funds. "I would recommend that we put the money back into the community by way of scholarships for kids to attend after school enrichment and summer programs," said Hart. Customers can choose charities to support

To participate in the KidCents program, Rite Aid customers can sign

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Woodstock to hold special Town Meeting

BY ALISON ALOISIO

Woodstock will hold a special Town Meeting Sept. 30 to consider the purchase of a used ladder truck for the Fire Department.

Selectmen set the meeting Tuesday, voting to recommend that up to \$50,000 be spent on the truck. The asking price is \$49,900.

The 1998 truck was offered at that price by the Canton, Mass., Fire Department.

Fire Chief Kyle Hopps said

he had gone to see the truck, and although it needs work to pass inspection, the Canton department has offered to do all the repairs without asking more money.

The board voted unanimously to recommend the purchase, taking the funds from the Fire Truck Reserve Account.

"I'm really liking this. It's quite affordable," said Selectman Steve Bies.

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Letters

TOO MANY SAD 44 ADMINISTRATORS

To the Editor:

At the height of World War II, Admiral Ernest J. King was the commander-in-chief of the Atlantic Fleet, charged with overseeing thousands of ships whose mission was to keep the sea lanes – the lifeline to Great Britain and Russia – open in the face of the Nazi U-boat threat. Ernie King accomplished this monumental task with an Atlantic Fleet staff of ten – count ‘em, ten – officers.

Now I read that SAD 44 has taken a fine math teacher at Telstar Middle School and turned him into a “dean” – removing him from his teaching role and necessitating the hiring of another math teacher. I see a picture in the Citizen of five new administrative staff for SAD44 (and I’m sure the total count must be more) – for a six-town K-12 student population of 800+? Hello? What’s wrong with this picture?

I realize, based on conversations with present and former members of Bethel’s Selectboard, that anyone questioning the SAD44 budget is immediately labeled as “against the kids.” Well, I’m not against the kids; I’m against bloated bureaucracy and administration. I’m not wild about sending freshmen to 4-H camp either; I think they should be sitting in classrooms learning English, algebra, civics, a foreign language, and enough general science to know the facts when the discussion turns to climate change and fluoride in the drinking water. A point-of-sale system in the cafeteria, with startup and recurring annual expenses and no apparent labor cost savings, also doesn’t strike me as exactly brilliant.

I am for buying great textbooks and instructional materials; I am for competitive – indeed, attractive – compensation packages for our front-line teachers. I am for a structured, meaningful, and useful learning experience for our kids. I am against an out of control administrative nightmare – instead of curbing these expenses, the superintendent and the SAD44 Board seem to be accelerating them. Good Lord, no wonder people in Andover and Newry want to get off this train!

In short, I’m sure of what I’m for and against. What I’m wondering is – does anyone else in this town feel the way I do?

Gerry Bell
Bethel

VOTE 'YES' TO STUDY WITHDRAWAL

To the Editor:

On Sept. 24, the town of Newry will have a vote to see if the town will take the first step toward an independent and locally managed education system. This upcoming vote is NOT a withdrawal from the school district vote. If passed it will only create a formal committee to study the issue and create a plan to be used if a future vote favors withdrawal.

As most of you know there are many reasons for Newry voters to vote yes. From taxation without corresponding school board representation to poor educational performance at the middle and high school levels despite the best efforts of the teachers who year after year need to adjust to the latest government educational program. Programs that take away from instructional time, cost millions of dollars and invariably fail to produce better results.

All towns have an obligation to responsibly educate its students. Newry’s families and taxpayers should rightly ask if there is a better way to educate its kids then turning them, and its tax money, over to a school system run by other towns. Please vote yes on Sept. 24 to find this way.

Jim Sysko
Newry

SUPPORT CALLIE PECUNIES

To the Editor:

Elections are truly all about the future and it is important to elect legislators who are committed to a good future for people of all ages.

Callie Pecunies is such a person, running in District 117, extending from Stow to Eustis, and including Bethel and Rangeley. She has 20 years of experience in Western Maine’s tourism industry working at Sunday River Resort as Human Resources Manager and currently as a realtor. She and her husband Dave and sons Cameron and Ian, actively enjoy the natural resources of this area – skiing, mountain biking, hiking and fishing. They live just outside Bethel in Albany Township and enjoy gardening and raising chickens.

Callie actively volunteers as a board member for Mahoosuc Kids Association, Mahoosuc Pathways, and for the District Exchange Food Pantry, collecting food from Good Shepherd and working with the team in packing and distributing food each month. She volunteers at Crescent Park School and at Mahoosuc Kids. She is a fierce competitor in road races. For more about her, visit www.callieforstaterep.com.

Her outlook is always positive and optimistic. She has a deep commitment to public service. She will bring her knowledge of the area, her high energy level, and her ability to work with colleagues across the aisle to the legislature. House District 117 will have a tremendous representative in Callie Pecunies and we ask voters to join us in supporting her.

Cathy and Charlie Newell
Greenwood

WE WOULD NOT BE HERE IF...

To the Editor:

On Sept. 24 the Town of Andover faces yet again, for the second time, another vote on whether or not to withdraw from MSAD44. This has been a long and tedious task involving many townspeople and causing in many ways a division among its citizens.

Looking back at the issues identifying the multifaceted discussions brings to mind the single most cause of why we endure another entire withdrawal process. The many faces of withdrawal include tax revenues and subsequent expenditures to MSAD44 for the education of our children, local control of tax dollars, future debt service to MSAD44 for planned or unplanned improvements or repairs to existing facilities, Newry’s pursuit of withdrawal and the impact to the remaining towns within the district if successful, a local school board that represents only Andover and most importantly the main reason we are once again going to the polls, the closure of Andover Elementary School.

We would not be where we are today (in the withdrawal process once again) if it were not for the fact that we will lose our Elementary School if we stay within the MSAD44 District. MSAD44 has made it abundantly clear that AES will close. The vote at the MSAD44 school board level has already been cast, many times. The town of Andover has paid, in the past three years, out of its own pocket, \$68,000, \$140,000 and \$180,000 in addition to its “regular” school appropriations to continue to keep AES open.

The message last year from the MSAD44 school board was delivered loud and clear: this will be the last year any reduction of cost to Andover will be offered and the State of Maine Dept. of Education will set the additional rate for future negotiations to keep AES alive. We were told by DOE the cost could be as much as \$250,000 next year and expected to rise year after year over time. A very costly solution to keeping a school in our town alive, but decisions made over the past three years by the majority of its townspeople clearly show the dedication and importance of doing exactly that.

In its infinite wisdom, the MSAD 44 school board failed to recognize the importance of that school to the townspeople of Andover. They failed to equate three separate years of additional payments with resolve by Andover residents to keep that building open. They failed to realize that Andover is an equal member, with four other towns, making the district of MSAD44. They failed to include the costs of keeping AES open in their annual budget, to be borne by all five towns within the district, not just burdened by the one. They failed to help negotiate a reasonable “lease agreement” between the district and Andover. I am saddened by the failure of the MSAD44 Board of Directors to realize that all member towns share a responsibility to itself, and losing a member to withdrawal will certainly not benefit the remaining towns. Its past collective decision process may prove to be detrimental to the overall health of the district by not recognizing the value Andover residents place on their school because we would not be where we are today if...

Pete Coolidge
Andover

LACKS CONFIDENCE IN ANDOVER

To the Editor:

I value independence and advocate thinking outside the box. I admire creative solutions. I do not however, have confidence in Andover’s ability to efficiently and cost-effectively educate its students. My lack of confidence is based upon personal experiences I’ve had with Andover town officials.

1. Property Taxes – town records have been out of date for years, resulting in unfair tax discrimination against a group of taxpayers, according to a member of the Oxford County Board of Assessment Review. Some one-acre house lots are still valued at \$2,500, while newer one-acre lots are valued at \$10,000; no difference except the date of assessment. Lots which are clearly worth less due to location, access, quality, topography, receive no discounts, in clear violation of state law “just value” definition. Newly-assessed rustic camps with no electric, no plumbing, no waste-disposal, no heating systems are not allowed lower valuations for functional obsolescence, while older camps and houses continue to enjoy these discounts given years ago, even if since upgraded. Selectmen/Assessors mistakenly believe that functional obsolescence has to do with age, rather than lack of modern systems; two very different valuation criteria. Members of the Oxford County Board of Assessment Review recently deemed Andover tax records a mess. Why are they a mess? Assessors say they don’t have time to fix the records, despite a state law which requires a records update every four years.

2. Tree Growth Law Misinformation – Andover town officials have long been giving land-owners wishing to remove land from the tree growth tax program incorrect information, unfairly costing them thousands of dollars over the years. Officials have always required the removal of one acre for building purposes, when in fact, a fraction of an acre will meet state law and result in a lower annual tax bill for the property owner, as well as a lower withdrawal penalty.

3. Elections – Recently, all five Andover election officials were unaware “unenrolled” voters could register as Democrat or Republican at the time of voting. This prevented at least two residents from voting in the recent primary, resulting in a reprimand from the Secretary of State’s office. Andover election officials should have been familiar with this basic, uncomplicated law.

4. Roads and Bridges – Selectmen once insisted that Sawyer Notch Road was a public road, even though no maintenance was performed by the county or town since the 1920s. The town has since been determined incorrect by a court. The Sawyer Brook “Learned” Bridge, is a town-owned bridge, yet town officials warned notch residents they would be held responsible for the cost of a new bridge if they allowed heavy trucks to pass over it... after the Andover Planning Board had approved a subdivision and several building permits beyond the bridge. The bridge was eventually replaced by the town, but the “new” bridge has been deemed unsafe by the state during high water. Riprap was installed, yet the “Bridge Closed” sign remains (covered), ready to be unveiled at a moment’s notice. Why? It is unclear when it might be closed, if residents will be able to use it or be stranded in Sawyer Notch, whether ambulances or fire apparatus will be allowed to cross, whether it will be safe.

5. Planning Officials – While renovating the Lang Barber Shop in 2007, the Andover Planning Board claimed that my new porch may violate Andover’s 15-foot setback ordinance. I had an approved building permit for the work; the porch frame simply replaced the existing bulkhead frame on the existing foundation. Apparently, a resident complained and the planning board was anxious to please him. I declined their invitation to attend the meeting and the issue was dropped.

6. Water District (quasi-municipal) – Service was activated at my property without my permission; a private tenant phone number was released by a district official to a third party. Valuable real estate was sold by the district to a neighbor, without proper approval and authorization, resulting in a reprimand by the state.

If Andover is this challenged while performing such simple routine municipal duties, it will soon find itself floundering in uncharted territory while trying to educate its students without the support of a district.

Selectmen have admitted they don’t have the time to properly do their jobs now; how will they be able to run an entire school system as well? Perhaps we will need a town manager next? And then a bigger town office building? And then...? As an advocate for small government, this withdrawal proposal sounds to me like a step in the wrong direction.

Andover’s ability to tackle the huge job aside, all we seem to have going forward are “wild guesses” and “rough estimates” along with warnings of a \$20 mil rate and “bloodbaths” at town meeting if this passes. We now have free/reduced cost legal advice from a “summer resident” but can we rely on this freebie up the road? If we stay in the district, the decision of whether to close AES is ours; as long as we pay extra, it stays open. If we go on our own, the aging school stays open, like it or not – there is no easy alternative. After we find ourselves drowning in debt and costs, we will either “pay the piper” or be forced to cut AES teachers, maintenance, supplies, busses; in short, the essentials.

A desire for independence sounds admirable, but could be just another good sales pitch. Serious long-term financial obligations, aging infrastructure repair costs, expensive professional employment contracts, additional time spent by selectmen addressing educational issues, uncontrollable legal fees, snowballing unanticipated expenses... these things do not equal independence!

Vote to Withdraw: If you don’t mind your property tax bill increasing several hundred dollars each year, if you think selectmen can handle a lot more work, if you are confident existing town leaders are savvy enough to oversee all of our educational issues, if you want Andover town government to grow bigger and more costly. As you cast your vote, remember your elderly neighbor on a fixed income who will not be able to pay these tax increases.

Brenda Stickney
Andover

VOTE 'NO' ON QUESTION 1

To The Editor:

I abhor cruelty whether suffered by humans or animals and I support the Humane Societies and the work they do to end it.

However, when considering Question 1 on the November ballot, which would prohibit hunting bears with dogs, traps or baiting, I believe the issues are much more complex than protecting bears alone.

An article, “Maine’s wildlife experts have a better answer” (Sun Journal, Sept. 7) makes a lot of sense. It is written by Rep. Mike Shaw, D-Standish and Rep. Aaron Libby, R-North Waterboro. It is especially noteworthy because a Democrat and a Republican collaborated to compose it. It’s a shame we don’t see more of this.

I agree that the citizens are well served by the wild life experts who have the facts about all wild life. Other states that have passed hunting bans have seen a big growth in bear populations. Only about 25 percent of those who hunt bears are successful.

When I learned that bears have been known to attack and eat young deer and moose I became alarmed. Controlling the number of bears becomes important.

I’ll be voting NO on question one.

Nancy Willard
Woodstock

Our Back Pages

BY DANNA BROWN NICKERSON

10 years ago: Former Telstar High School English teacher Russ Tornrose was hired as the new principal of Telstar Middle School. Construction had begun on a 141-by-229 foot drive-thru warehouse at Western Maine Supply on Cross Street.

Deaths: Alfred E. Allen, Herbert W. Kittredge, Phyllis L. Perreault, Barbara A. Buttrick, Audrey M. Hadley.

20 years ago: The Norway Savings Bank had filed an application with the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation to locate a branch in Bethel.

The Bethel Planning Board approved plans for a 40-by-48 foot to Kelley’s Auto Parts on Mechanic Street.

Births: Kourtney Lynn Burnham, Joshua Paul Head, Levi Buck Hooper.

Deaths: Ralph J. Coulombe, Jane L. Wentworth, H. Raymond Heikkinen, Sr.

30 years ago: One of Bethel’s oldest family businesses, The Greenleaf Funeral Home, was sold to Raymond-Andrews Funeral Homes of Norway-South Woodstock.

The SAD 44 Adult and Community Education program was offering a beginning course in Bagpipe Playing, to be taught by Larry Campbell of Locke’s Mills.

Births: Shawn Elliot Bennett, Jonathan Capen Howe.

Deaths: John T. Gotjen, Mrs. Ida May Powers, Lewis T. Horner.

40 years ago: The Pleasant Valley Grange held its Annual Fair. Vegetables, food, aprons, knit goods and fancy work were on display. Mr. and Mrs. Dale Stevens moved into their new home on the Middle Intervale Road.

Births: Robin Lynn Michaud, David Thomas Hanscom, Stanley Christopher Cordwell, Molly Ann Gray, Crystal Lee Chase, William Carl Smith.

Deaths: Mrs. Pauline B. Chapin, Raymond W. Holt.

50 years ago: New teachers at Crescent Park School were Donald Nichols, 8th grade; Mrs. Richard Young, 4th grade; Thomas Hodgkins, 7th grade; George Sullivan, 6th grade; and Ralph Ryder, supervising principal.

Avery Angevine had accepted a position at P.H. Chadbourne Company.

Deaths: Isaac Watson Dyer II, Alden R. Mason.

60 years ago: Keith Bartlett, grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Guy Bartlett, East Bethel, was training at the Naval Station in Bainbridge, Md.

Mrs. Harold Rolfe, Maryvonne and Phillippe returned after spending the summer with Mrs. Rolfe’s parents in Rouen, France.

Birth: John Andrews Wheeler.

Death: Mrs. Ella Goodnow Hale.

70 years ago: Maine escaped with slight damage in a hurricane. Damage was mostly to telephone and power lines.

The farm home of Mr. and Mrs. Almon Coolidge, East Bethel, was burned. Twelve cows, a pair of horses, sow and pigs were lost, and most of the household furnishings.

Deaths: William Goodwin, Elmer E. Bennett.

80 years ago: P.M. Walker of Newry was pasturing 300 head of western cattle shipped to Maine from drought areas.

Work was going on, on the Wilson’s Mills to Cupsuptic Lake.

Death: Mrs. Addie Brooks.

90 years ago: The Hastings house in Kimball Park was purchased by Fred Hamlin.

Bear River Grange held a successful community fair at Newry.

Work was started on the new bridge over the GTR tracks at the foot of Church Street.

Death: Thomas L. Barber.

100 years ago: S.A. Parsons opened a photographic studio at the corner of Main and Church Streets.

Two hundred and forty tickets were sold at Bethel station for visitors to Norway fair.

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Letters

SUPPORT THE BEAR HUNT

To The Editor:

I find it ironic that people who are not specialists in the field of wildlife management question the validity of our Maine Wildlife Biologists, who need to have a minimum of a Bachelor's degree in Wildlife Management (which could include zoology, ecology and biology), 2 years' related experience in the field and have to be licensed, registered and go through certification requirements. In many accounts these biologists also have PhDs. I don't think they would be thrilled to think their education was all for naught. Whether you question their authority or not, there are reasons things are done the way they are whether you think it is right or not. Perhaps that is because the biologists do know what is best for Maine wildlife.

In addressing Ms. Wright's letter of Sept. 11 she says "Why would we trust a state organization that is clearly biased." Obviously you're assuming they are biased. I prefer to put my trust and faith in our wildlife biologists and the game wardens of the Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to know how our wildlife population should be managed. After all they do

the research, they have the studies, the numbers and they get the complaints on nuisance animals. I don't want to put my faith in uninformed petitioners who think it is terrible and feel bad because of the way we bait and hunt bears. These well-intentioned but uninformed people are the ones who do not know.

Cruelty is not about shooting a bear over bait but when a bear starves to death because of the overpopulation and lack of feed for them. Ever seen an animal that was starved in the woods? Not a pretty sight. These biologists manage our wildlife population and know what they are doing.

If any child reads Ms. Wright's letter I hope they don't pay attention to her statement where she writes "I am struck by the fact that these same biologists who warn folks not to feed bears (inciting unrealistic fear in humans) are okay with baiting." Really! "Inciting unrealistic fear in humans..." Get between a mother bear and her cubs and see what unrealistic fear is. Anyone who knows anything about bears, or any wildlife, knows that you don't feed bears and that is what the biologists

are talking about. Feeding is different from baiting. Baiting bears is done from a distance and out of bait barrels. People baiting bears are not coming into direct contact with the bear and shouldn't. A bear is a wild animal not to be trusted. She said a person has a million in one chance of being killed by a black bear. Good to know. Personally I don't want to risk it, and I would highly disagree with her when she says that the fear of black bears has been deliberately exaggerated? Really? Where does this information come from? I was taught right from childhood that you never trust a wild animal because that is exactly what they are.

One reason we bait bears is exactly what Ms. Wright states. Bears are very wary. Rarely seen. Like the Yeti. In my 20 years of hunting I have never seen a black bear in the woods and it isn't because they are becoming extinct. It's because a bear's sense of smell is so keen that they can smell you coming from a mile away. I've seen moose, deer, coyotes and bobcats but no bear. You just can't think you can go out in the woods, find a bear and shoot it. No, you need to

bait them so they will come to the bait and then there is no guarantee because many bear will come during the evening hours. I don't care about bear hunting, I don't ever want to shoot a bear but I would never interfere with those who have had the right to do this. Many years ago I tagged along on a bear hunt using dogs during archery season. The gentleman got his bear after the bear climbed the tree. When he shot the bear the bear let out a death moan. Was I impressed? Not in the least, but I would never interfere with his right to hunt the bear the way he did. Our biologists know what they are doing and what they are talking about. For many the bear is a source of food and to get that food they have to be baited.

So in closing, I will be voting to support bear hunting in November because I believe in supporting a healthy wildlife management area be it bear, deer, moose, birds, coyotes etc., for the State of Maine. I do believe the Biologists do have a clue about how to manage our animal population.

Jane Ryerson
Bethel

DEFINING A 'VETERAN'

To The Editor:

I am that "ONE" citizen referred to by Sally Sawyer in her letter to the newspaper last week regarding the Town of Woodstock "Roll of Honor" (Veteran's Memorial). I will probably always be the ONE until some issues and concerns are resolved. I am not interested in pitting one group against another or finding allies and alliances. I am not the enemy. I am one who has over 40 years of working experience with the government, communities, businesses and groups to refine such projects so as to make them more accurate. We are dealing with the government.

The Federal government and the Department of Defense determine the criteria and definitions for "Veteran," "War Veteran," "Combat Veteran," "active duty," "Armed Forces" and "discharges." These are the definitions and standards the Town should be using to determine who is eligible to have their names inscribed on their "Roll of Honor." Granted,

others have been recognized for their service during World War II; however, they had to apply to the Department of Defense for approval and once approved, Congress enacted a public law to make it official. We are not dealing with our own interpretation of "Veterans" and should be careful to ensure that it is Veterans who are honored – not non-veterans.

A "Veteran," by Federal definition, "is any person who has served honorably on active duty (not for training) in the Armed Forces of the United States Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines, or Coast Guard (discharges marked "General" and "Under Honorable Conditions" also qualify)." Reserve and National Guard monthly and annual training do not qualify for active duty according to the government.

Taking an oath and putting on the uniform of the Armed Forces does not make you a Veteran upon discharge from the services. Not every Veteran is a

War Veteran – they must have served during designated eras (declared or undeclared wars, conflicts, or hostile actions identified by the Federal government). Not all War Veterans are Combat Veterans – they must have earned a campaign medal for service during the designated eras or received hostile fire or imminent danger pay.

Yes, selected members of the Merchant Marines who were in World War II were granted Veteran status – not all; however, they needed to have served on a commissioned ship and received a discharge from the Army, Navy, Coast Guard, or Department of Defense. They were NOT the only ones. Thirty-five other groups were also recognized. You cannot state that the Wall is for "Veterans and Merchant Marines from World War II" without providing a disservice to the other 35 groups. An accurate description may be "Armed Forces Veterans and Others Recognized by an Act of Congress."

You must preserve and honor the past while leaving opportunities for others to be recognized for their service since World War II. You should not say "Others Who Served" – it is too all-inclusive of others who served alongside Veterans. These groups would include private military armies, contractors, commercial airline crews, CIA, FBI, USO, Red Cross, etc. The list is endless. The criteria would be lengthy and the proof or documentation may not exist.

Yes, I am the ONE. I am one who wants to ensure that Veterans are properly honored in the manner the government has set forth and that this honor will live on for years to come. I want to work with the Town to fine-tune a worthy project and to ensure that it will stand the test of time and remain a place for Veterans and those recognized by an act of Congress.

Tom Hartford,
U.S. Army Retired
Woodstock

VOTE

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annual town meeting?"

Polling hours are 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. at the Town Hall.

Newry's ballot asks the following question:

"Do you favor filing a petition for withdrawal with the board of directors of regional school unit MSAD 44 Telstar Regional High School and with the Commissioners of Education, authorizing the withdrawal committee to expend \$50,000 and authorizing the municipal of-

ficers to issue notes in the name of the Town of Newry or otherwise pledge the credit of the Town of Newry in the amount not to exceed \$50,000 for this purpose?"

Polling hours are 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. at the Town Office.

(Note: The results of the votes will not be available before the Citizen's press time on Wednesday, Sept. 24. They will be posted on our website at www.bethelcitizen.com.)

SCORES

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hallmark of the U.S. Dept. of Education's Teacher Incentive Fund grant, is responsible for the rise in test scores.

"We think that through that [process], teachers are really paying more attention to students who may be right on the cusp of going from partially proficient into the proficient range," she said.

She said that the percentage of Telstar students who scored "proficient with distinction" is higher in all subject areas than the state averages.

On the science assessment, 11 percent of SAD 44 students received scores of "proficient with distinction," versus 4 percent of students statewide.

Rates of "proficient with distinction" scores for local students in the other subject areas were 9 percent for reading, 7 percent for writing, and 5 percent for math, versus percentages of 9, 6, and 4 percent, respectively, statewide.

"We do a really good job with our really bright kids, so that's something to be proud of," Leavitt said.

On the other hand, even with the recent improvements in test scores, she said, there are still too many students whose scores do not demonstrate proficiency in the subject matter.

In all subject areas of the most recent assessments, the majority of Telstar juniors scored in the "partially proficient" or "substantially below proficient" range—a total of 66 percent for reading, 64 percent for writing, 62 percent for math, and 61 percent for science. Those percentages compare to figures of 53, 55, 52, and 56 percent of students statewide who scored in those ranges.

Leavitt said she has been talking with the high school administrators about how to address that issue, and "figure out who those kids are, and what sort of evidence-based intervention it's going to take to get them into that next bracket."

She said the real value of the test scores is that it allows educators to "drill into the data" and examine factors such as classroom performance and absentee rates for students who score lower than the "proficient" range on the assessments.

"You can start to target those students, and start to find ways to get them engaged enough to come to school, and once they're in their chairs, we can teach them," Leavitt said.

Superintendent David Murphy reminded the board that, beginning with the current junior class, the SAT will no longer be used to assess proficiency for all students.

"Everything you're looking at now will change, as we shift to a new way of measuring student outcomes," he said.

Leavitt said the new standardized testing, the Smarter Balanced Assessment, is aligned with the standards adopted by Maine schools and will more accurately measure the specific learning outcomes being taught to students.

Federal and state laws mandate annual testing in reading and math for students in grades three through eight and those in grade 11. Standardized test results are used at the state and federal level to measure whether a school is achieving appropriate annual yearly progress.

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Bethel veterans committee unhappy with parking issue

BY ALISON ALOISIO

Frustrated members of the Bethel Veterans Honor Roll Committee made an emotional appeal to selectmen Monday not to delay settling a personal parking issue that is holding up progress in creating an honor roll monument park on Main Street.

The town recently acquired a vacant property behind the Civil War monument at the intersection of Main and Mechanic streets, and the committee has been planning for a veterans' honor roll there.

Debra Mills, who lives in a house abutting the park, has for years parked her vehicle next to the house, on the now-town land. The committee wants to know if that will continue before proceeding with further planning.

In a letter to selectmen, Mills said her only other current parking option would be on Main Street. She asked if the selectmen would allow her to continue parking there into 2015, and put an article on next year's Town Meeting warrant to allow the sale of a driveway easement to her.

She said the added time would also allow her to look into another alternative - the possible establishment of a driveway on the other side of her house. But Mills said at the meet-

ing she has had a boundary dispute with a neighbor for some time and she would have to first resolve the location of her property line.

Selectman Don Bennett said he did not think it is in the town's best interest to force Mills to park on the street, taking up another spot there and complicating snow plowing.

But Honor Roll Committee member Craig Ryerson said his group has been working on its plans for three years (initially for a Fire Station site) and does not want to wait for Town Meeting next June.

He cited a letter from former Town Manager Jim Doar written to Mills last summer, notifying her that the town might in the future ask her to stop parking there.

"Her inquiry should have started then," said Ryerson. "I don't think it's up to Bethel to give up any of that property whatsoever, and we need to get on with this honor roll."

He said Mills' parking spot is the location that would make the best maintenance entrance for the property.

Scott Cole, who assisted Mills on the parking issue, said he had spoken with Doar last spring and was told the overall status of the tax-acquired property had not yet been resolved. Cole said the situation had not been clearcut enough

then for Mills to do anything.

Selectboard Chair Stan Howe said clarification on the town's acquisition of the land had taken quite a while. "The title of the land needed resolving," he said.

Committee member Bob Chaddbourne said he was concerned that the committee might "fall apart" with further delays and "the wheels are going to fall off this effort if it doesn't move forward. If there's a dispute between two property owners unrelated to this parcel, it shouldn't be tying the whole works up."

Arlan Jodrey agreed. "Our committee, we're all going to be dead before we get anything done," he said.

Cole asked that if the board did not wish to take the issue to Town Meeting, that Mills still be given the winter to resolve her boundary issue and pursue the possibility of parking there.

The board eventually agreed to postpone a decision until its Sept. 29 meeting.

Bennett told Mills later in the meeting, "I still think it's incumbent on some of us here, if we have a citizen who pays taxes, to hear what they've got to say and somehow address it ... there may not be as much time as you'd like to address it. You should be heard, and I'm glad that you were."

Briefly

ERR hosting Murder Mystery Trail Ride

ANDOVER-The Ellis River Riders is hosting a Murder Mystery Trail Ride from 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, Sept. 20, to benefit a nonprofit organization that provides free air transportation to patients. Audrey McKenzie, treasurer of the Ellis River Riders, said Tony Milligan, chairman of the club's Food Committee, is a volunteer with Angel Flight Northeast, which flies individuals who cannot afford medical transportation to hospitals free of charge. "The volunteers with Angel Flight Northeast don't get paid for any of the flights they do for patients," McKenzie said. "They pay for the gas by themselves and volunteer their own time. We thought that after all that Tony has done for us and the club, we should give back to the group he's in." Riders will take a designated trail on the property of the Ellis River Riders and pick clues to help them solve a murder mystery. "People can bring their own horses and navigate the trail while they try to solve the murder," McKenzie said. After they finish, riders will have a lunch and an announcement will be made of the "top murder sleuth," she said. The idea for the Murder Mystery Trail Ride was born after McKenzie heard about another horse club Down East doing the same thing. "When I heard about it, I thought, 'Wow, I wish I could go to that,'" McKenzie said. "Unfortunately, I wasn't able to make it, but when we were trying to think of fundraising ideas, we all agreed that this would be a fun way to do it." McKenzie lauded Milligan for his dedication to the Ellis River Riders. "He doesn't ride horses, but he still helps us out when he can," McKenzie said. "He dedicates eight to 12 of his Saturdays a year to the club, on top of volunteering his time and money for Angel Flight Northeast. We just wanted to do something for him." - Matt Daigle/Sun Media Wire

Andover business donates \$5,000 to pond group

ANDOVER-The Ellis Pond Watershed Survey Committee received a boost this month after an Andover business donated \$5,000 to assist with the ongoing watershed protection efforts. The Watershed Survey Committee said in a news release that Steve Swasey of Swasey Excavation in Andover donated \$5,000 to the committee, explaining that he appreciated the work of the "local residents and the quality of the pond." Swasey added that he "hoped the contribution could be used to plant vegetation and fix other problems identified in the watershed survey so the lake could be preserved for future generations." The committee's release stated that Swasey Excavation had recently completed roadwork for the town of Roxbury that fixed several problem areas which were identified in May as part of the watershed survey. The last survey took place in the 1990s. Roxbury Pond is also known as Silver Lake and Ellis Pond. "We want to look at all 26 square miles of the watershed to identify what sources are contributing to the lake's contamination," said Jim Wendt, president of the Silver Lake Camp Owners Association. "We've had a number of large rain events this year that washed a lot of debris into the lake. This past fall, there was an algae bloom that is acting as a harbinger of poorer conditions." AmeriCorps volunteer Laura Crossley said the committee has received several other donations over the summer, including \$1,000 from the Silver Lake Camp Owners Association, \$250 from private contributions, \$3,000 from Roxbury and \$200 from Byron. Auburn resident Scott Williams, a biologist and executive director of the Maine Volunteer Lake Monitoring Program, said in a report that certified lake monitors Ross and Christine Swain of Andover recently observed and helped document a brief, but intense, bloom that was initially detected by a colorful surface scum that persisted for several days in some areas of the pond. "The bloom that occurred in October was the first known event of its kind in the pond," Williams said in his report. - Matt Daigle/Sun Media Wire



VETERANS' HONOR ROLL SITE on Main Street in Bethel. Debra Mills' house is to the right. A. Aloisio

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into their wellness+ account at www.kidcents.com and review the profiles of approved KidCents charities they can choose to support, according to the release. Each charity profile features information about the organization and the services it provides as well as stories of those helped by the organization. Once a charity is selected, the next time the customer shops at Rite Aid, their purchase will be rounded up to the

nearest dollar and their change will be designated to their selected charity.

Nonprofit organizations interested in participating in the program can visit www.kidcents.com/apply to submit an application. To be eligible, an organization must be classified as exempt from federal tax under section 501(c)(3) of the IRS Code and meet the KidCents program guidelines.

Once approved, Kid-

Cents charities are also eligible to earn a "Step Up" reward; for every \$500 a charity raises in contributions through the KidCents program, it will receive a matching donation of \$500 from KidCents, up to a maximum of \$5,000. For more information, visit www.kidcents.com.

Since its inception in 2001, The Rite Aid Foundation has awarded more than \$17 million to nonprofit organizations, the release said.

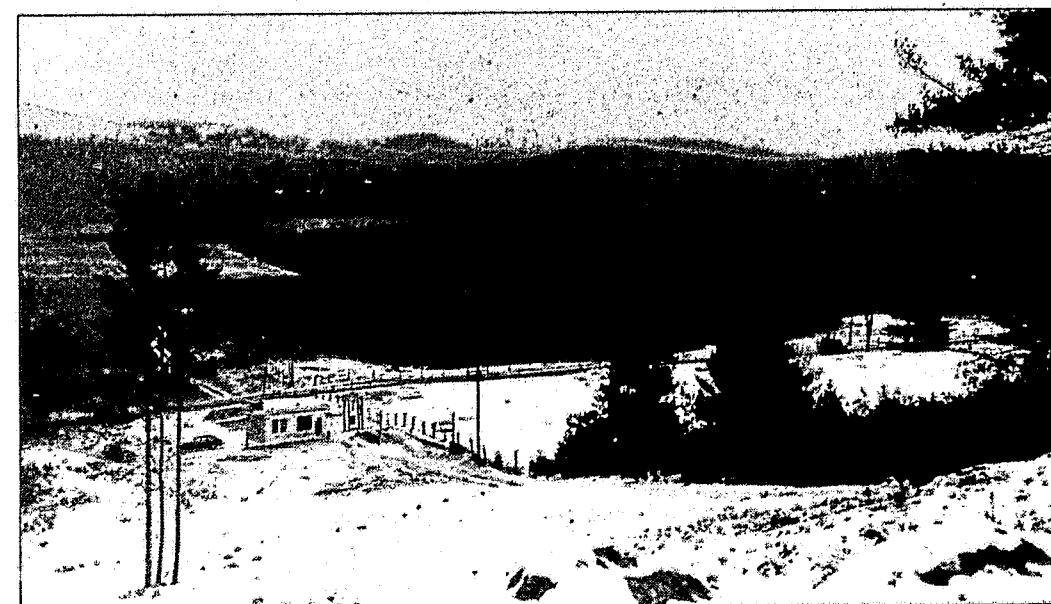
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Sites along Bethel's Main Street are presently being considered, and a committee has been tasked with selecting the location. Members include Wende Gray (chair), Jill Ducharme, Michele Varuolo-Cole, Leigh Breidenbach, Scott Andrews, Dave Irons and Phil Savignano plus executive director Bruce Miles. Sunday River Prime Time Ski Club member Terri Messer is also on the committee, the release said.

The team is working to acquire ski and snowboard-related artifacts, documents and histories from the region, developing displays of the historic collections and organizing events to raise funds for the new museum project.

The Bethel Historical Society has agreed to loan its 2009 Sunday River/Mt. Abram 50th Anniversary Exhibit, which was curated by Scott Andrews. Dave Irons, author of 'Sunday River: Honoring the Past, Embracing the Future,' is

contributing many of his research materials.

Other contributors will include Maine Adaptive Sports and Recreation (formerly known as Maine Handicapped Skiing), Chisholm Ski Club and Gould Academy.

Anyone who would like to contribute (or loan) items from personal collections is encouraged to contact Bruce Miles, the Museum's executive director, at 265-2023 or via email at info@skimuseumofmaine.org.

Outreach programs

Planning is also underway for several fund-raising events and community outreach programs. The museum had a booth on the Bethel Common for Molly Ockett Days and will again have an exhibit at Harvest Fest on Saturday, Sept. 20. Members of the museum's board of directors will be there to share Maine ski memories and provide information about the museum.

This winter a Ski Heritage Benefit, mirroring the museum's Ski Heritage Classic that has been held at Sugarloaf for the last seven years, will be held at Sunday River, the release said. Sport Thoma Ski Shop will be

lending its support by sponsoring a fashion show fundraiser on Friday, Nov. 28 at The Bethel Inn, the annual New Year's Day Ski Race at Carter's XC Ski Center will be the site of the museum's Great Ski and Sport Shop Raffle drawing. Mt. Abram plans to hold an event to benefit the museum.

Fireside Chats - narrated digital slideshows that illustrate the history of skiing in Maine - are planned for venues such as Sunday River's GO-50 Week, the Road Scholar program, Bethel Chamber of Commerce, Oxford Hills Chamber, Bethel Historical Society and other regional civic and educational organizations. Seven different Fireside Chats are currently available, each of which lasts about 50 minutes. Those interested in hosting a Fireside Chat may contact the Ski Museum at info@skimuseumofmaine.org.

The Ski Museum of Maine looks forward to establishing a presence in Bethel that will forge new and closer relationships with ski and snowboard enthusiasts - as well as Maine history buffs - in the Oxford County region, the release said.

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SALT

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costs about 7 to 10 percent more to attack it from the top and get back to pavement."

Curtis said it takes 5 tons of salt to melt built-up ice on a mile of road, but only 3/4 of a ton of pretreatment to prevent it in the first place. The salt approach, he said, gets roads back to "black pavement" sooner than trying to remove ice that has frozen onto pavement.

"You'll use less material, you'll spend less time chasing the storm, and you'll spend considerably less dollars trying to break that ice off that's full of potholes," he said.

Curtis also said there is very little sand to clean up in the spring.

He was asked if the more-salt approach causes cars to rust faster.

He acknowledged the salts are "corrosive," but that road crews would be putting less chemical on the road than they would in trying to melt the ice af-

ter a storm.

Printed material from MDOT provided by Curtis addressed claims that corrosion has become worse on recent years.

"Liquid calcium or magnesium chlorides are generally used to supplement rock salt during cold storms through pre-wetting (spraying salt brine on rock salt to accelerate melting). When these types of products have been purchased by MDOT, we have paid approximately 40 cents more per gallon to add corrosion inhibitors that bring the corrosion rate of these products on bare steel down to almost that of distilled water."

The handout also said MDOT uses an "environmentally-friendly" magnesium chloride blend.

If Bethel were to adopt a salt priority approach, said Curtis, an estimated \$10,000 would be needed for chemicals and new equipment to store and apply them.

He said the best way to

start a new salting program is to choose an 8-to-10-mile route that a driver can keep up with during a storm.

Bethel Road Foreman Scott Sumner, who also attended the meeting, said the town would need to budget for the new equipment for the future if it wishes to adopt a salt priority program like MDOT's.

"It would be nice to slowly upgrade," he said.

Asked by Carter if anything could be done this coming winter, Sumner said the road crew could start experimenting by adding the new material to its current salt and sand supplies, "and put out a pre-treated product that way."

He said Bethel has a total of 65 miles of roads.

A mechanic's view

The Citizen asked Dwayne Bennett, owner of Bennett's Automotive in Bethel, for his observations on possible effects of the road treatment chemicals on cars.

In his opinion, he said, corrosion on vehicles has worsened significantly over the past five years and he believes it is from the road treatments. "It destroys the cars," he said. "We're fighting to get brakes apart because the slides are stuck. We condemn an average car a week because of rust, and a few have been less than 100,000 miles."

While he said rust "is good for business," Bennett said he thinks drivers may be better served by having good snow tires than by treating roads differently. "If they had proper tires and slowed down, they'd be fine," he said, adding that he sees many vehicles with all-season tires that drivers believe are adequate, but are not.

(Note: Curtis' MDOT information states that over the past 15 years automobile manufacturers have been eliminating the use of the chemical hexavalent chromium, used as a corrosion-resistant coating.)

OCSD Patrol Log

Tuesday, Sept. 9

At 11:37 a.m. Deputy Andy Whitney responded to a car crash rollover on the Sunday River Road in Newry. There were no injuries.

At 3:26 p.m. subjects on the Flat Road in Bethel reported being harassed and requested a warning be issued. Cease Harassment papers were filled out and served by the State Police.

Thursday, Sept. 11

At 6:03 p.m. Deputy Stephen Witham responded to Route 5 in Andover for a car-moose crash. There were no injuries.

At 10:04 p.m. Deputy Stephen Witham performed a 'stop and talk' with a subject in a vehicle on Howe Hill Road in Greenwood. The subject was summonsed for attaching false plates.

At 11:08 a.m. a Bethel business on Railroad Street asked a deputy to view suspicious activity recorded from its parking lot. Deputy Dave Hodgson responded.

Friday, Sept. 12

At 12:00 p.m., while following up on another investigation, Deputies Josh Wyman and Andy Whitney seized a marijuana plant from a local residence on the Irish Neighborhood Road in Greenwood.

At 1:33 p.m. Deputy Andy Whitney responded to a Bethel garage for a report of the theft of inspection stickers. The investigation was ongoing.

Saturday, Sept. 13

At 12:47 a.m. Deputy Dave Hodgson responded to a noise complaint on Summer Street in Bethel.

Sunday, Sept. 14

At 1:35 a.m. a caller reported a subject walking on Walkers Mills Road near the Greenwood line, trying to flag cars down. He was found to be a subject from a recent stop, and he refused a ride from officers.

Monday, Sept. 15

At 9:53 a.m. Deputy Josh Wyman investigated a theft complaint on South Ridge Road in Newry. The incident remains under investigation.

WOODSTOCK

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The truck will replace Woodstock's current, 30-year-old ladder truck, which needed repairs to the turntable gears that allow the ladder's platform to rotate.

The special Town Meeting will take place at 6 p.m. at the Town Office.

Boats trapped

In other business Tuesday, Town Manager Vern Maxfield said he had been contacted by two large-boat owners on North Pond who are unable to get their boats out of the water because the level is so low at the boat ramp on Route 26.

"I'm not totally sure it's our responsibility, but I think we need to make something happen," said Maxfield.

Selectman Ron Deegan suggested the town contact a private property owner to ask permission for the boats to be taken out at that location, due to this special circumstance.

In a related issue, Maxfield said he had been approached by a North Pond property owner with a parcel for sale off Rocky Road about the possibility of sell-

ing it for a new boat access point.

The Maine Department of Transportation wants to close the Route 26 ramp because the department considers it a traffic safety hazard to put boats in and out from the busy state road.

The Maine Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife has also been seeking another option, in order to be able to continue to stock the pond with fish. Public boat access is required to maintain stocking programs.

IF&W has indicated it might contribute money toward the purchase of a new access site, if it meets requirements.

Maxfield said the asking price for the parcel in question is \$99,000.

He also said another North Pond property is going up for sale on Gore Road that might have potential for boat access, and selectmen urged him to look further into both possibilities.

Honor roll

The board continued work and discussion on criteria for determining who would be eligible to be listed on

an expansion of the town's Honor Roll. The definition of 'veteran' has been debated at recent meetings. Veteran Tom Hartford advocated for using the U.S. government's formal definition (see his Letter to the Editor, page 3), which could exclude some members of the Merchant Marine from World War II - a group the Honor Roll committee has planned to include.

Hartford said making the list more inclusive would be appropriate if the term 'service members' is used instead of 'veterans.'

The board, committee and Hartford spent 90 minutes

hammering out more criteria, and Maxfield planned to have a written draft ready for a vote at the Oct. 7 regular board meeting.

The selectmen also awarded the bid for winter road maintenance in the area of Woodstock near Milton Township, and Milton itself, to Jerry McKenna for \$52,000. For the first time the bid for both locations was awarded jointly by Woodstock and Oxford County. Woodstock's share is \$20,200 for four miles of road, Maxfield said. County Administrator Scott Cole also attended the meeting.

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Bethel

By DONALD G. BENNETT
Around
Town
Global
Warming
Report
Temper-
atures ten
years ago for the week of
Sept. 7 through 12, were
this:

83/52, 84/54, 75/55, 71/56,
68/45, 83/44.

Sprucing up at
Mahoosuc Land
Trust offices

Friday a squad of volun-
teers made up of board
and committee members
including some of the ex-
pert Congo Church paint-
ers/handyman were hard
at work getting the place
polished up to celebrate
the MLT's 25th anniver-
sary. The Mahoosuc Land
Trust idea came from a
1988 visioning conference
in Bethel and in March the
next year Maine approved
its incorporation.

Birch Wood and
Mallard Mart

New house readied to go
at Birch Wood. Last week
a load of dimensional lum-
ber arrived on site for an
already completed founda-
tion. A new sign at Mal-
lard Mart across Mayville
Road from Rite Aid went
up on Friday - it's Sunoco
now.

Mt. Will Trail in
Bangor Daily News

An article about hik-
ing the Mt. Will Trail by
Aislinn Sarnacki was in
the Sept. 10 Bangor Daily
News along with a dozen
photos along the trail in-
cluding the Gray Memori-
al. Ms. Sarnacki hiked the
trail as part of a trip from
Bangor to do an interview
at Sunday River.

Selectmen's Meeting

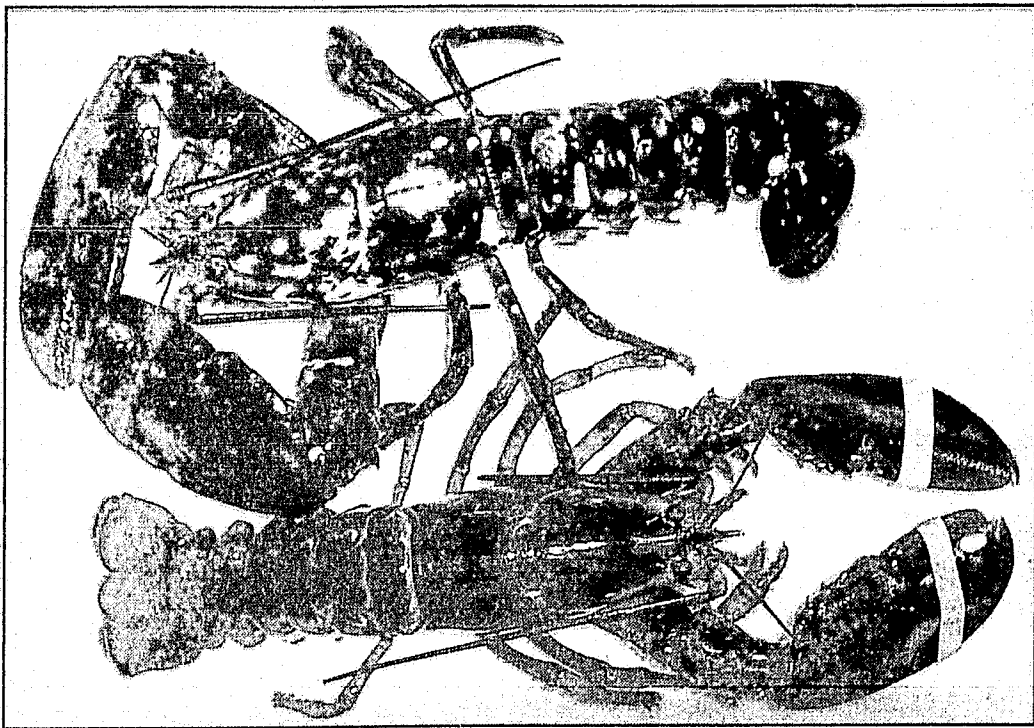
Agenda for the Monday
Sept. 15 selectmen's meet-
ing includes the following:
a presentation by MDOT
on local roads calcium
chloride; Debra Mills on
Veterans Park; sewer bill-
ing rate and an updated fi-
nancial report.

Planning Board agenda
for its Sept. 10 meeting

Board agenda covered
four items: Crossroads
Diner and Deli site plan
amendment; a subdivi-
sion amendment for the
Hall Subdivision on Pa-
radise Road by applicants
Arlene, Jason and Ryan
Vachon; a site plan appli-
cation for a project named
The Art Barn @ 18 High
Street, applicant Janet
Willie (it was approved);
and a site plan extension
requested by the Bethel
Inn for the Millbrook
Townhomes.

The Allium Farm at
Farmers Market

Jessica Badone was tend-
ing her stand of produce
from her West Sumner Al-
lium Farm. Onions and
garlic are the best known
members of the Allium
family. Alliums have the
reputation of protecting
against both cardiovascu-



FRECKLES GETS A PARDON-This rare calico lobster (top) turned up in a batch that recently arrived at Bethel Bait Tackle & More. Instead of selling it, owners Sarah Lane and Jeremy Fredette decided to donate the creature, dubbed "Freckles" to the Maine State Aquarium in West Boothbay Harbor. The odds of a lobster with such coloration is one in 30 million. But BBTM's lobster luck didn't end there. On Thursday another crate arrived with a rare blue lobster (odds: one in 2 million). But the aquarium already has one with that coloration, so Lane was taking offers to sell the most recent find.

Submitted photo

Part Two of
Milkman Keep Those
Bottles Quiet

Home milk deliveries
in Bethel continued to be
a local dairy farm effort
from 1945 until 1967 when
Riverside Farms closed.

After Ernest Buck ended
milk deliveries, most of
his customers switched
over to the Blake Farm or
to the Bennett's Riverside
Farm. Home milk deliver-
ies by two family owned lo-
cal dairies continued until
1962 when the Blakes sold
their home delivery busi-
ness to Riverside Farms.

Appointment of David
McCrum to Maine
Seed Potato Board

A Sept. 8 news release an-
nounced the appointment
of a major local farmer, Da-
vid McCrum, to an impor-
tant Maine Department of
Agriculture, Conservation
and Forestry Board. This
board was established in
1945 to ensure an adequate
supply of foundation seed
potatoes for the Maine's
potato industry.

Known as County Super
Spuds the McCrums had
purchased Arthur Ladd's
Rumford Point - Bethel
farming operations in
2004. It is now Sunday Riv-
er Farms LLC. Recent-
ly the McCrums also pur-
chased a 69 acre portion
of the former Bethel Inn
Farm located off the Jona-
than Clark Road. Overall
the Sunday River Farms
acreage in Bethel amounts
to nearly 300 acres.

County Super Spuds/
Sunday River Farms was
a major sponsor for the
2009 HarvestFest. Along
with John Carter's Mid-
dle Intervale Farm these
two farming businesses
- dairy and crops - rep-
resent a major part of Bethel
agriculture. Thanks to
Steve Wight for forward-
ing this news to me.

After 1967, Breaux's Dairy
took over Bethel deliver-
ies. In 1974 Breaux's Dairy
closed which basically
ended the era of milk from
Bethel farms being de-
livered directly to Bethel
homes.

Correction: In last week's
column about milk prices,
the item that read 14 cents
for a quart should have
read 14 cents per quart.

good. There were no fam-
ily members left to handle
the jobs. Much of the milk
supply came from at times
as many as a dozen neigh-
boring farms such as Rob
Bean in Sunday River, Ce-
dric Judkins in Upton, and
about eight farms along
the East Bethel roads plus
Stan Lord at the Second
Bethel Inn farm near Skill-
ington.

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Bethel

By NANCY BROWN



Pumpkins
are finally
here. They
are available
at the farm-
er's markets
and farm
stands. I wait all year for
fresh pumpkins. They
are not just for jack-o-lan-
terns and pies, but are a
versatile fruit that can
be prepared and eaten in
dozens of ways: steamed,
boiled, roasted, grilled, or
made into casseroles, ravi-
oli, dumplings or mashed
with apples into a sweet
dessert. Remember that
pumpkins and fall pro-
duce will be available at
the Bethel Harvestfest and
Chowdah Cook-off on the
Bethel Common this Sat-
urday, Sept. 20.

The Bethel Library is
participating in Satur-
day's Harvestfest with a
table on the Common. The
library is selling tickets
for the Dining Raffle. Lo-
cal restaurants and food
stores have generously do-
nated gift certificates for

this library fundraising
event. The drawing will
take place at the end of the
day on Saturday. Three
winning tickets will be
drawn; each winner will
receive gift certificates to
six local dining establish-
ments. Money raised from
the fundraiser will help
the library expand its col-
lection and services to the
community.

People who read the Cit-
izen know that the Rota-
ry is sponsoring a "drop
off/pick up produce" tent
at 60 Elm Street. Unfor-
tunately, not everyone
reads this paper. Let's
make sure that the Rota-
ry tent is announced at
events we go to: church,
school and public meet-
ings. Post a sign at your
business. The produce is
free for anyone. The tent
will be up till the harvest
is over. Last week's Cit-
izen reported that the pro-
duce tent is "intended for
both the Food Bank and
community members who
do not have a garden but
enjoy fresh produce." A
huge thank you to the Ro-
tary and community mem-
bers who are making this
possible.

I'm a big fan of road and
highway improvements,
especially when the work
is safety oriented. Last
week I was pleased to see
a crew painting a double
yellow line down the mid-
dle of the East Bethel Road
(from Locke's Mills to
Bean's Corner).

If you have news to share,
please e-mail me at brown-
nancy1950@gmail.com, or
call me at 824-2483.

Bryant Pond

By ALICE HOYT



Sympathy is
extended to
Pastor Jones
and family
on the loss of
his father.
Judith Gro-
ver Tent 17 DUVCW met
on Monday, Sept. 8, at the
Grange Hall. Elsie Bon-
ney served as Guide. The
Selectmen, Town Manag-
er and Tom Hartford were
invited to this meeting,
but no one showed up, to
talk about the monument.
Seems to be a difference of
opinion about putting the
Merchant Marine names
on the new Honor Roll.
We think all who served
should be on there. Most of
the members plan to be at
the next Selectmen's meet-
ing on Sept. 16.

Sept. 20 at 1 p.m. (weath-
er permitting) there will
be a flag burning cere-
mony in back of the Grange
Hall. The public is wel-
come to attend. If you have
old flags that need to be
disposed of, please either
bring them or leave them
at Sally Sawyer's, Alice
Hoyt's or Elsie Bonney's.
Nineteen calls were re-
ported. Elsie Bonney re-
ceived the Mystery Pack-
age. President Vicky My-

ers read about Fort Fisher
in North Carolina, where
the last battle of the Civil
War was fought, the war
ended two months later
following the battle. Next
meeting is Oct. 13 and we
will bring candy for the
Veterans' Home to hand
out to their trick-or-treat-
ers.

Services at the Baptist
Church are Sunday School
at 9:15, Morning Worship
at 10:30, Evening Service
at 6 p.m. Wednesday eve-
ning at 6:30 is Mid-Week
Service. Sept. 20 is Church
Workday starting at 8
a.m. Looking ahead - Oct.
21 at 7 p.m., our church
will host "Plant and Root
Maine." Sunday, Nov. 2,
we will be hosting evan-
gelist Bob Holmes. He con-
ducts meetings in schools
across America.

Sympathy is extended to
the family of Keith Swan.

Locke's Mills

By BETSEY FOSTER



Mark Paa-
so, Bethel, is
purchasing
the house be-
side Maine
Line Prod-
ucts on Route
26. He recently asked the
Greenwood Planning
Board about the possibi-
lity of doing this, and Town
Manager Kim Sparks said
he plans to return with a
completed application for
the project.

The Planning Board ap-
proved the location for the
new solar panel array at
Mt. Abram Ski Area. This
will be in the lot across
Howe Hill Road from the
main lodge. More info
available soon on this very
large solar project.

One bid has been sub-
mitted for the old Greenwood
Fire Department Rescue
vehicle.

The Greenwood High-
way Department has been
trimming the brush and
low-hanging branches
along our main roads in
preparation for the up-
coming plowing season.
Let's assume that is not
going to be very soon, but
it is always good to be pre-
pared ahead of time.

Just in case you have not
seen the latest temptation
at The Local Hub, they
have homemade pies with
the beautiful lattice-work
crusts.

Several people have
asked about fall art class-
es in the area. Janet Willie
has opened a new venture
at her home in Bethel. The
Art Barn. A number of
types of art classes are of-
fered by various teachers.
Info is available at www.
artbarn18high.com or you
can call her at 824-3889.

We are working our way
up to foliage season. The
swamp maples, that turn
color several weeks ahead
of other deciduous trees,
are a dull grayish red. Not
sure if that predicts a dull
foliage season or has no

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relevance whatsoever. As usual, time will tell.

The winter chickadees have returned and are going to the still-empty feeders. They are making their demands known. Also on the bird scene, a small flock of snow buntings arrived here over the weekend.

The autumn equinox is this coming Monday, Sept. 22. The earth's axis is once again halfway between the extremes of the summer and winter solstice. No wonder fall is such a delightful time of year — our axis is at the balance point. Always good to be well balanced.

Please send news to staich16@gmail.com.

South Woodstock

By LOLALEE DILLINGHAM



Good morning y'all. It's a tad cool here this a.m., but it's nice and sunny. It's fair season so dress warm.

Condolences to the families of Lorna Hemingway and Robert Jones. Our thoughts and prayers to each family member.

"Just Friends" (Paula Kaiser, Alan Rich and I) played at the Oxford Fair Wednesday evening. It was a great evening for an outside concert. The older folks were disappointed that there were no bleachers to sit on, some brought their own chairs. We had several dancing to the music. Al brought his banjo along for a little bit of bluegrass.

My week was busy, doing some fall cleaning and getting the summer clothes packed and getting out the fall and winter clothes. I also spent some time working on special gifts throughout the week.

I found a yard sale recently that had a small utility trailer full of yarn. Yup, you guessed it, I bought it all and there's enough yarn there to keep me going all winter, colors galore. And I won't have to buy any yarn till spring.

With this cooler weather coming, I'll be making more chowders and stews and for Saturday nights it will be baked beans and hot biscuits with all the fixings. I love the aroma of beans as they cook all day.

Anniversary wishes to those who are celebrating this month — and birthday wishes are going out to all that have birthdays in September.

I took some time yesterday to get out my fall decorations. Not too many though — a few for outside and three or four for the living room and kitchen.

The birds are still enjoying the water fountain, so I'll not bring that in till we start to get some real frosty nights.

I have one lonely sunflower this year. Hope it gets big enough for me to harvest the seeds for the birds this winter.

Well, that's all from the valley this week. Please remember to get your flu shots.

Newry

By DOUG WEBSTER



This week, The Eddy School will be the Stewards of Step Falls, help-



LEMONADE MONEY FOR AES—On Saturday Amber Cooper, Andover Elementary School APTA President, Paisley Clukey, Rylee Cooper, Emma Clukey and Ella Akers, students at AES, presented two summers' worth of lemonade stands earnings, to help save their school. Amber Cooper, APTA president, will give \$38.70 to Sharon Hutchins as a pledge towards the start-up costs of Andover going on its own as a school district, should Tuesday's school withdrawal vote be successful. Submitted photo

ing to clean up after the hordes of people who take advantage of one of the area's hottest tourist attractions. It was a busy season at the Falls this year, and with the latest trail improvements, it should have been easier to gain access to the beautiful series of cascading falls we all know as Step Falls. The upgrade to the parking area came out really nice, but I think it probably eliminated a few parking spots. According to the locals of North Newry, most weekends saw cars parked on both sides of the road, really creating a traffic hazard. I hope as the area continues to publicize the attraction, they can accommodate more cars as well as provide some restrooms for the tourists and guests they have encouraged to come. It seems like good stewardship to have the proper amenities for our guests. It will also keep people from straying onto abutters' land.

Do not forget next week on Wednesday, Sept. 24, Newry will be voting on whether or not to appropriate \$50,000 to move forward with a withdrawal process from SAD 44. Currently, 68 percent of Newry's incoming taxes go towards the school district, compared to Bethel's 55.5 percent. Both towns pay almost the same amount to the district, around \$3 million. The biggest difference is the amount of students each town sends. Newry has approximately 4 percent of the student population and Bethel averages about 50 percent of total student population. So no matter how you feel about the withdrawal process, make sure to get out and vote on Sept. 24.

Town officials have been meeting with the Tri-Town (Bethel, Newry, Hanover) leaders trying to figure out how the towns will move forward with the transfer station. It sounds like the tri-towns can save a lot of money if they go on their own. Using single-stream and contracting our waste

to go directly to Lewiston instead of going through Oxford County Recycling seems to make the most sense. Let's hope they can hash out the details and continue to move forward.

Do not forget the annual Newry crafts fair at the Grange Hall on Oct. 25, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Make sure to check out all the local arts and crafts. If you would like more information, call the Town Office at 824-3123.

That's all for now. As always, send your news my way, especially if you do not like mine — dwebster@megalink.net.

Gilead

By LIN CHAPMAN



The temperature at night is really getting down, low enough that a frost is possible. It was time to bring in the house plants. That was a big project for Sunday.

My brother, Steve McLain, arrived early last Saturday morning to help set up for the Gilead His-

torical Society's meeting. Lise McLain attended the Senior Club luncheon at the Funky Red Barn last week.

Mary Tyler came home from shopping the other day and found a flock of wild turkeys in her yard. There was at least one "baby" with them. She also had company last week for lunch. Her niece, Brenda Bergeron, came from Berlin to spend the day. They enjoyed a casserole that Mary had prepared. It was good, so Mary made it for the pot luck lunch for the Gilead Historical Society. Besides having lunch, they did some errands in Bethel and stopped at the Chapman Cemetery in Gilead to do some genealogy research.

Gilead Historical Society The Annual Meeting for the GHS was held on Saturday, Sept. 13 at the Town Hall. There were approximately 30 people who stopped by to look at the buildings and to enjoy the potluck lunch. Those who did not come really missed some good food and company!

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Election of officers resulted in the following: President-Norm Buttrick, Vice-President-Tammy MacDormand, Secretary-Hugh Chapman, Treasurer-Lin Chapman, Trustee (3 yr.)-Kevin Daniels. Finances were discussed and the GHS is doing all right. Grants have either been sent in or in process to help with finishing off the restoration of the historic buildings and further the success of the Research Library.

There is still much to do with the buildings, but at least the painting of the ceiling and walls are done inside the schoolhouse. It seems pretty nice to walk in and see what a good job has been done. A lot of the displays have been set up again, but there is still more to remove from storage and fill the display cases. Displays had to be taken down for the painting project.

The date for next June's Friends and Family Day was set for June 20. Next year's annual meeting will be on Sept. 12. The fall newsletter will be coming out in a month or so and will have more details.

A PowerPoint presentation was given after the meeting. The subject was "The Gilead Historical Society, Ten Years of Great Memories and Accomplishments." It began with pictures of the Town of Gilead's Bicentennial in 2004 and moved onto how the GHS was formed. Highlights were shown from each year from Friends and Family Day and the Annual Meeting; such as speakers and entertainment.

Got any news? Call 836-2987 or email chapmal@hotmail.com.

Hanover

By MARIA HOLLOWAY



Dedication of Picnic Pavilion

Plans are in the making for the official dedication of the Hanover Picnic Pavilion. The Pavilion, located between the Town Office and Library, was built last fall under the leadership of Keith

Crockett-Harrington, a project toward achieving his Eagle Scout Rank. Finishing touches were completed this week thanks to Bob Susbury and Buster Chase. The dedication will take under the Pavilion later this month and will incorporate Hanover's first "Pie Night" — bring a pie to share with friends and neighbors. Donations to the Library received that evening will go toward the purchase of roll-down side shades for the Pavilion. All are invited! Watch this column for event date, time and details to be announced.

The Pavilion is available by reservation for private parties and meetings. There are picnic tables, stackable chairs and electrical outlets, and, for a small fee, the kitchen and restrooms in the Town Office are available for your event. Stop by the Library for more information.

Celebration of Fall, Oct. 11

Preparations are well underway for the 6th Annual Celebration of Fall sponsored by the Gardner Roberts Memorial Library. Mark your calendar for a day of music, food and fun! The festival will be held the Saturday of Columbus Day Weekend, Oct. 11, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. under the Picnic Pavilion.

New this year will be live acoustic music by Lisa Ferguson, an accomplished musician and daughter of Lynne and Paul Ramsey. There will also be a Book Sale, Yard Sale, Bake Sale, Craft Corner and Snack Bar. The Library is now accepting donations for the Yard Sale which may be dropped off at the Library on Tuesdays or Wednesdays, from 9 to 5, and Saturdays from 9 to 12 noon. Otherwise, you may leave your Yard Sale donations on the Library porch during dry weather. Pick-ups will be made daily. (No clothing, please.) Donations of baked goods for the Bake Sale are welcomed the day of the event.

Awesome Raffle Items
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The Quilt Shop at the Ros-tay, will be raffled the day of the festival. The quilt features Maine woodland creatures in tones of green, gold, red and brown. You may view the quilt and the many high-end Theme Baskets now on display at the Town Office. Theme Baskets include: Merry Christmas, Garden Quilt Kit, Basket of Baskets, For Kids-By Kids, What's in a Lady's Purse?, Famous Man's Basket, Sensible Smiles, Pamper Yourself, Winter Survival Kit, Fall Gardening Basket, and Shaker Wall Cabinet w/ Door. Thank you to all the Library friends who generously donated to the basket raffle.

Raffle tickets may be purchased at the Town Office, Library, or from any of the Library Trustees. Tickets are \$1 each or a book of six for \$5. All proceeds from the Celebration of Fall and raffles will benefit the Library, an independent non-profit organization.

Post Office Reminder
The Hanover Post Office window hours are 12 noon to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, with mail sorted and ready for pick up by 1:30 p.m., and Saturdays from 8:30 a.m. to 12 noon with mail sorted by 11 a.m. The lobby is open 24 hours a day allowing postal customers to access their PO Boxes at their convenience.

Comments, questions, news? Contact Hanover-MENews@gmail.com.

Andover

By JANE C. RICH



Both public hearings concerning the withdrawal from SAD 44 were well attended. Withdrawal, or lack of, has long term ramifications for Andover. A lot of people are concerned about their future tax burden and rightly so; however, taxes will probably go up no matter which option the town chooses. The plus for withdrawal is local control of the education of our young people. Whatever your position is on this important decision for our community, please be sure to come out and vote on Sept. 24.

The petition regarding the disappointment of residents regarding the recent winter sand bid was presented to the Selectmen last Tuesday at their

regular meeting. Without any canvassing or extensive circulation over 60 residents signed the petition. The Selectmen defended their awarding of the bid. It is the hope of those who signed the petition that in the future preference will be given to a local business and particularly to people who have used their business for the good of the town.

On Tuesday, Sept. 16, a spaghetti free lunch was served at the First Congregational Church with Bud Perry taking up the duties of chief cook and sauce maker. Others provided bread, salad and desserts. These monthly free lunches are provided by the People in Action Committee, a group of citizens who do this to enhance the local social scene as well as provide a meal. All are invited to these events.

The family of Beverly Sylvester gathered recently to help her celebrate her 90th birthday which occurred on Aug. 23. Family came from Rhode Island and Massachusetts for a picnic. The Sylvesters would like to thank Andover Rescue Volunteers for their recent service to Beverly. They say we are blessed to have such wonderful people taking care of us in emergencies.

The next event sponsored by the Roxbury ATV Club will be on Sept. 21 on the Mt. Washington Auto Road. New Hampshire registration will be waived for the ride. If you're interested you should check the club's website for complete information which is www.roxburyatvriderclub.com or call 207-545-2715.

Waterford

By ROCKIE GRAHAM



Sorry I have been out of touch these last few weeks. Couldn't make it into my study to get to my computer. Hope this works better.

It has been a difficult couple of weeks but we all made it through. Now I have a few more weeks to heal before I can get back to work. We shall see.

Thursday, Sept. 18 at 6:30 p.m. at West Paris library there will be a basket weaving demonstration. Julie Daye, my previous



REMEMBERING SEPT. 11-Last Thursday, despite pouring rain, representatives from veterans' organizations gathered at the monument in Locke's Mills to honor the memory of those killed in terrorist attacks on Sept. 11. Pictured are, from left: Elsie Bonney, Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, Woodstock; Wayne Theofrastou, American Legion Post 151; Kenneth Hoyt, Jackson-Silver Post 68; Harry Orcutt, Jackson-Silver Post 68; Wayne Hakala, District 5 Commander; Jeri Greenwell, Bethel Legion Aux. Unit 81, Sally Sawyer, Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, Woodstock.

neighbor, will show basket weaving using pine needles. She will also give a history of pine needle basket weaving. FMI please call 674-2004. Should be really good.

Saturday, Sept. 20 is the Bethel Harvest Fest and Chowdah cook-off on Bethel Commons. There will also be an apple pie cook off, free wagon rides and chainsaw carving. May-

be I can get a ride there to witness it.

Saturday, Sept. 20 will also be Motor Madness/Downeast Dickerer at Oxford Plains Speedway 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. There will also be fireworks and music. FMI please contact OxfordPlains.com

Saturday, Sept. 20 there will be a chicken pie supper VFW lower Main Street South Paris. First

sitting will be at 4 p.m.

Next week, Thursday, Sept. 25 at 6:30 p.m. at Norway Library there will be an adult book discussion on Dracula by Bram Stoker. FMI please call 743-5309. There will be several other book discussions on following weeks, including Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde and Frankenstein.

That is all for this week. Stay warm and safe.

Alder River Grange supports community service project

Ruby Bryant, Master of Alder River Grange in East Bethel, announced this week that the Grange has completed its major community service project for 2014. This project was providing the historic East Bethel Church with two-thirds of the funds needed to allow the Church to paint its steel roof, which was completed by Vernon Davis and crew this summer. The Maine State

Grange, which sponsors the program on the State level, then provided a grant of one half of Alder River's contribution. The Church, historically known as the "Lower Meetinghouse" was built in the 1830s and is listed in the National Register of Historic Places.

"We are pleased to play a role in assisting the East Bethel community with projects that benefit the area," noted Master Bry-

ant in announcing the 2014 project.

"The Church is most grateful to the Grange for its assistance in helping us maintain this remarkable building," said Stan Howe, President of the Church Board of Directors.

Alder River Grange has been serving its community since 1904 and its service has been recognized by a variety of awards through the years.

Bethel Senior Citizen news

The Bethel Senior Citizens Club met Sept. 10 at the Funky Red Barn for their meeting and dinner with 40 members present. President Fran Head conducted the meeting, led the salute to the flag and offered a prayer.

Reports were given by Becky Keen and Arlene Lowell.

The 50/50 raffle was won by Bea Lowell and the door

prize by Nancy Mercer.

The next meeting will be Oct. 8 at the West Bethel Grange Hall. Meeting starts at 11 a.m. The menu is a corned beef dinner and the price is \$10. Reservations must be made before Oct. 1 by calling Arlene at 824-2877, if no answer, call Fran at 824-2114.

Oct. 1 is the foliage trip, bus leaves the Bethel Area Health Center at 8:15 a.m.

sharp. Guests are always welcome. Non-members will pay \$3 towards paying for the bus.

Lise McLain was selling tickets on a jade bracelet and also a necklace, \$1 each or \$5 for six.

Happy birthday was sung to those having Sept birthdays; Bea Lowell, Doris Mills, Hugh Swan, Pat Thurston, Fumi Head and Ruth Sobocinski.

WMSC Brown Bag Lunch Series starts

On Wednesday, Oct. 1, the Western Mountains Senior College (WMSC) will begin their second season of the Brown Bag Lunch Series, following the series' successful debut last April. Again, the program will be held from 12:15 to 1:30 at the Bethel Inn, and participants are invited to bring a lunch to enjoy over good discussion. Coffee and tea will be provided.

This session will be facilitated by Bonnie Poolley, whose topic is "The Resilient Community in the 21st Century: How can elders shape the legacy we leave our children and grandchildren?"

She will pose many questions for us to consider; here are a few: What are the values we cherish as we grow older? Why have we chosen to live in a small rural town? Why do so many young people leave Bethel, and what can we learn from this?

What can a small community like Bethel do to take care of all who live here? What are the advantages and disadvantages of living in a small town far from population centers? How can we continue to provide fresh water for our residents?

What can we do about the fact that our population is aging, and our schools are shrinking? What roles can elders play in a community? What can we do to make a positive difference in our community?

The discussion promises to be stimulating, and you are invited to take part, whether you're a WMSC member or not. The session is free, but we'd like to know how many people to expect. For more information or to indicate your intention to attend: Nancy Davis (nancydavis@megalink.net or 207-381-1110). Please RSVP to Nancy by Friday, Sept. 26. The session is Wednesday, Oct. 1, 12:15 to 1:30 at the Bethel Inn; hope to see you there!

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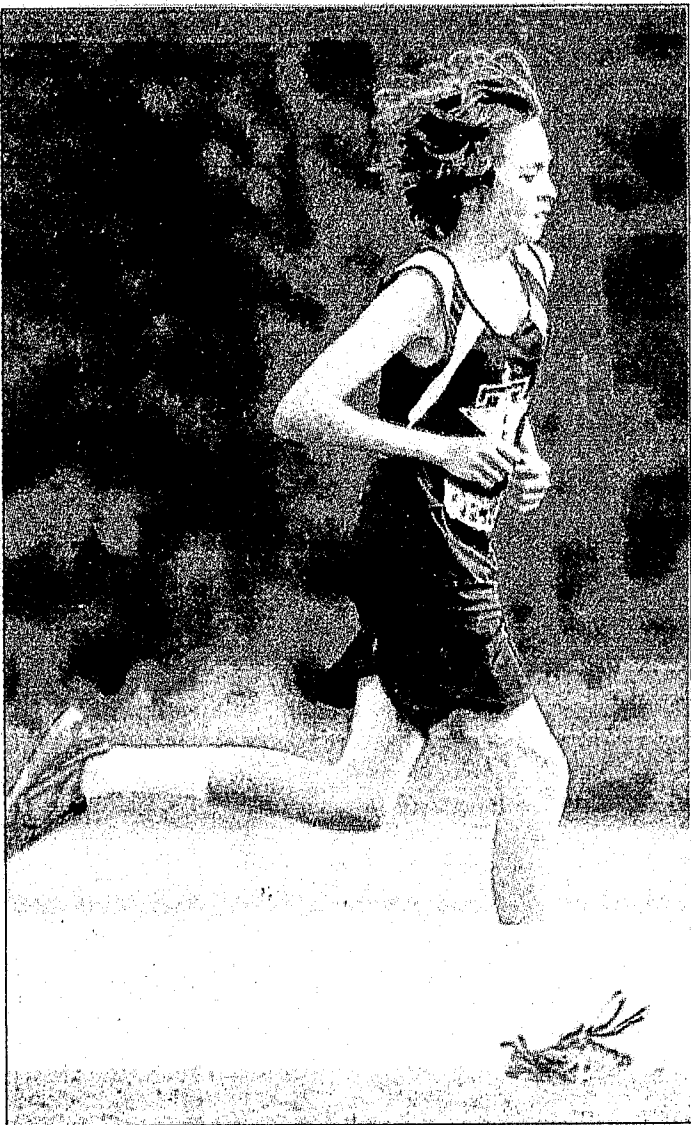
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Sports



Runners leave the start at the beginning of last week's high school cross-country race at Telstar. The Rebels' Greg Wheeler was the top THS boys' finisher, in third. For the girls, Telstar's Gabi Stone was second.



Telstar's Gaelen Boyle-Wight runs in last week's cross-country competition.



High School Varsity Field Hockey

Telstar 3, Dirigo 2; Sept. 12 - Three minutes into the first sudden victory overtime Olivia York found net for the win. Also scoring for the rebels in regulation were Becca Howard and Natasha Hart with assists going to Sadie Ellsworth and Becca Howard. Meg Glover tallied 11 saves in the cage. - Coach Wight

Lisbon 1, Telstar 0; Sept. 15 - After a 0-0 first half and a tough defensive fight the Rebels came up short a goal in their loss to Lisbon. A great back and forth game with shots taken but no net. Meg Glover had 11 saves with great defensive back-up. Tough loss but much improved play as a team. Record is now 3-2. - Coach Wight

High School JV Field Hockey

Dirigo 3, Telstar 0; Sept. 12 - The THS JV Field Hockey team lost their homecoming game against Dirigo. Tiffany Waterhouse, Ellis Coffin and Kaiya Corriveau played hard at midfield for the Rebels. Blair Stevens and Leah Angevine made a combined 19 saves in goal. - Coach Davis

Lisbon 2, Telstar 0; Sept. 15 - The THS JV Field Hockey team lost to a strong Lisbon team. They battled against them throughout the first half, only allowing them to score with seven minutes left. Forwards Kaylee Haas, Sierra Ryerson, Mariah Millett and Jillian Thielbar did all they could to get the ball down the field. Strong defensive support was given by Taylor Merrill, Becca Miller and Kirstie Haas. Lisbon came back in

the second half to score two goals against the Rebels. - Coach Davis

High School Cross Country

Meet at Telstar; Sept. 10 - Boys: 3. Greg Wheeler 19:54; 22. Gaelan Boyle-Wight 24:37. Girls: 2. Gabi Stone 22:43; 10. Kaitlyn Brown 25:28; 15. Carla Boyle-Wight 26:55; 17. Marta Opie 27:35.

Middle School Cross Country

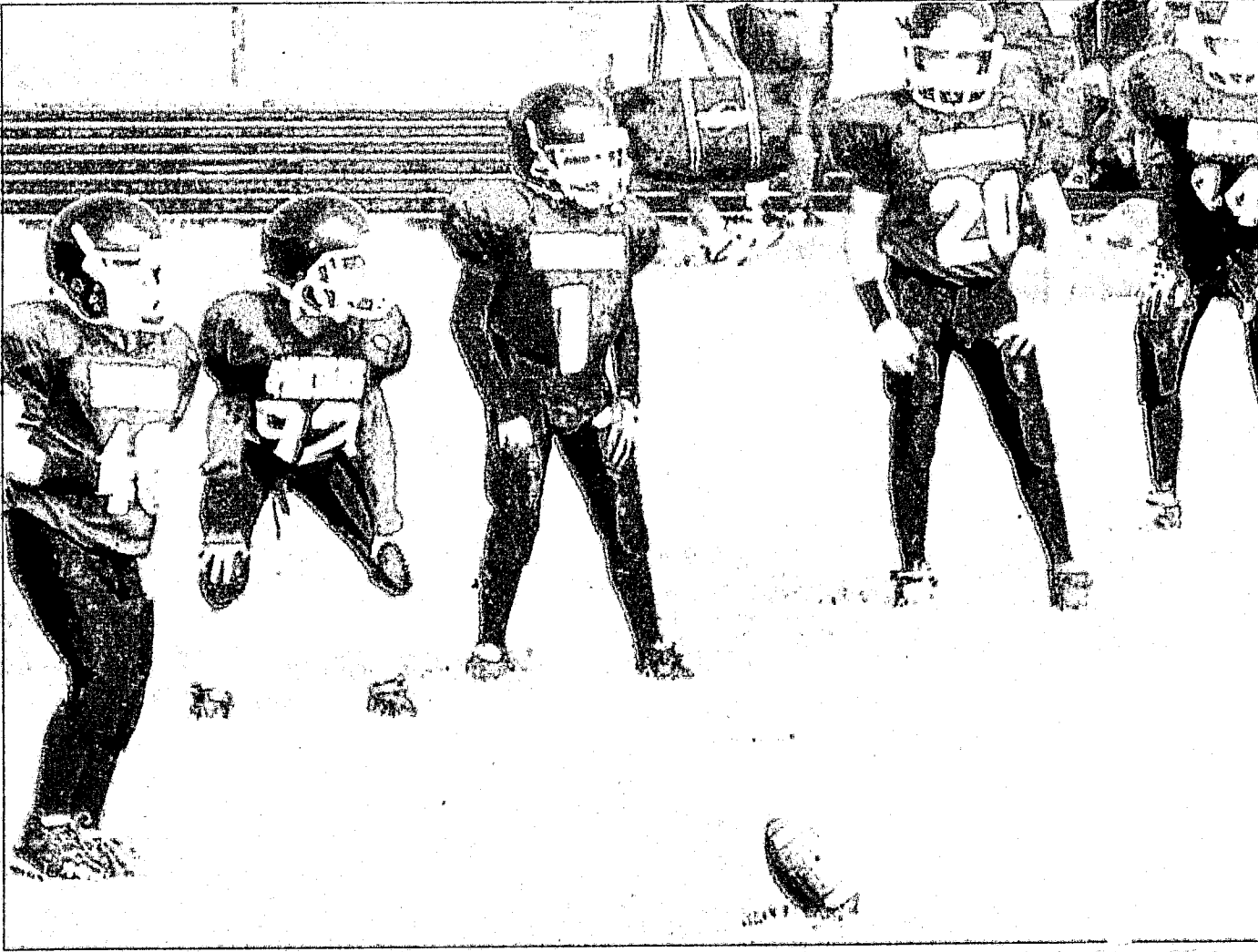
Meet at Kennet Middle School - The Telstar MS cross country team competed in their first race of the season down at Kennett Middle School in Conway, N.H. For the girls, Izzy Chase came in 3rd with a time of 14:54, Mia Shifrin 8th with a time of 16:45, Lilo Bean 11th with a time of 17:07 and Dylan Duclos was 13th with a time of 19:00. Ryan Beckerman won the boys' race with a time of 13:17! Dillan Smith was 8th with a time of 15:49, Nathaniel Pingree was 10th with a time of 16:38, Wyatt Thielbar was 13th with a time of 16:40, Liam Childs was 14th with a time of 17:03 and Logan Mason was 15th with a time of 17:06. Congratulations Telstar on a great first race! - Coach Southam

Middle School Boys' Soccer

Mountain Valley 5, Telstar 2; Sept. 9 - The Telstar Middle School boys lost at Mountain Valley. Goals were scored by Myles Barrett and Luke Hayward. Max Godomsky and Joe Dillon combined to make eight saves



Telstar's Destiny Hutchins protects the ball from a Lisbon player in a game at THS last Wednesday. Lisbon prevailed, 9-0.



GREENWOOD SPARTANS YOUTH FOOTBALL-The Spartans played games on Sunday, with the Grade 5/6 team defeating Jay/Livemore 24-14 and the Grade 3/4 team losing to Rumford 21-18. The next games are Sunday at Telstar against the Mt. Blue teams (Grade 3/4 at noon; Grade 5/6 at 1:30 p.m.)

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SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 20 ON AND AROUND THE BETHEL COMMON

8:00 am - 'til gone!

Cookie walk to benefit the West Bethel Union Church

9:00 am - 4:00 pm:

Arts, crafts, music, and farmers' market on the Common

9:00 am - 4:00 pm:

Chainsaw carving demo with Steve Stone on the lawn next to the Bethel Historical Society

10:00 am - 4:00 pm:

Bethel Historical Society's Robinson House Open Museum Shop and exhibits, *Gould Through the Years: Selections from the Academy Archives and In the Field & On the Homefront: Bethel During the Civil War*

10:00 am - 2:00 pm:

Book signing at Bethel Historical Society's Robinson House - Author Jim Witherell for his books *Ed Muskie: Made in Maine, 1914-1960* and *L. L. Bean—The Man and His Company: The Complete Story*

10:00 am - 2:00 pm:

Kids' activities at the Hancock Lumber tent

11:00 am - 12:30 pm:

Jim McLaughlin - live music in the gazebo

11:00 am - 3:00 pm:

Loaded baked potatoes and goodies off the grill for sale at the chamber's booth next to the gazebo.

12:00 pm:

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Apple pie slices on sale: Grab a slice a la mode! (To participate in apple pie contest judging, drop your pie off at the chamber's tent before 11:00 am.)

12:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Free horse-drawn wagon rides

1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Points North fiddlers

1:30 pm

The Wilderness Act 50, a free illustrated program by forester and environmental consultant David Govatski at the Bethel Historical Society's Moses Mason House.

2:30 pm

Chowdah cookoff and apple pie contest winners announced!

2:45 p.m. - 3:45 p.m.

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SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 20 IN THE AREA

6:00am - 2:00pm:

New England Two-fly Contest - Fishermen fly-cast from 6 am to 2 pm on the Upper Androscoggin River trying to catch the largest and most brook, rainbow and brown trout with the use of only two flies. Awards will be presented at 4 pm on The Bethel Inn Resort's back lawn.

8:30am - 6:00pm:

Self-guided canoe/kayak tour on the Androscoggin: Bethel Outdoor Adventure & Campground offers 10% off rentals and shuttle service from Gilead to Bethel. Reservations recommended: (207) 824-4224

9:00am - 1:00pm:

Bethel Farmers' Market next to Norway Savings Bank on the Parkway. Fresh local produce, meats, flowers, eggs, lobster, and other goodies from local farms.

10:00am - 4:00pm:

Sunday River Resort Open for scenic lift rides to the top of North Peak, mountain biking, geocaching, disc golf, bungee trampoline, hiking, and zipline tours. 1-800-543-2754 or www.sundayriver.com.

Apple picking at two local orchards:

- **Gibson's Apple Orchard**, 4 miles out North Road from Route 2. 207.836.2972.

- **Lyon's Apple Orchard**, just 3.1 miles out Grover Hill Road. 207.824.2842.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

9:30 am:

45-mile ride with Bethel Bicycle Join the crowd at Bethel Bicycle for a scenic loop ride along the Androscoggin and through East Bethel. Meet at Bethel Bicycle, 53 Mayville Road (Route 2/26, next to Dunkin' Donuts). FMI: (207) 824-0100.

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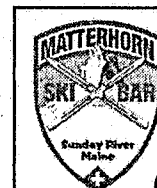
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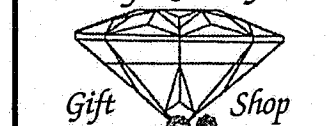
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SMH Cancer Center Fall 2014 offerings

Knitting and Crocheting Class with support from Fiber & Vine

SMH Cancer Center invites patients with cancer, cancer survivors, and caregivers to join in with some volunteers from Fiber & Vine. Bring your ongoing knit and crochet projects and/or learn to make chemo caps and prayer shawls. If needed, we will provide some yarn and needles at no cost to you. Oct. 2 and 23, Nov. 20 and Dec. 18, 10 to 12 p.m. SMH Cancer Center (199 Main Street, Norway).

Stamping Up Class with support from Kathy Pulsifer

SMH Cancer Center invites patients with cancer, cancer survivors, and caregivers to come stamp with us. Join Kathy Pulsifer from Stamping Up and have fun exploring your creativity with rubber stamping. This is a great time to create, laugh and enjoy creating projects together! Oct. 6, Nov. 10 and Dec. 1, 10 to 11:30 a.m. SMH Cancer Center (199 Main Street, Norway).

Pumpkin Carving with support from SMH Cancer Center

SMH Cancer Center invites patients with cancer, cancer survivors,

and caregivers to bring a Pumpkin and Get Carving! Enjoy some Halloween fun! Carve a pumpkin. When you are finished, the pumpkins will be donated to McLaughlin Gardens for their 2014 Pumpkin Spectacular. Oct. 23, 2014 2 to 4 p.m. SMH Cancer Center (199 Main Street, Norway).

Jewelry Beading Class with support from Lively Accents

SMH Cancer Center invites patients with cancer, cancer survivors, and caregivers to begin your journey into the wonderful art of jewelry making. Join Cathy Murphy a local artisan from Lively Accents and make your own cancer awareness bracelet using fiber optic beads and pearls. All materials will be provided for the class. Oct. 28, 2 to 3 p.m. and Nov. 14, 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. SMH Cancer Center (199 Main Street, Norway).

Fall 2014 Education and Events

Improving Treatment Related Symptoms from Chemotherapy & Radiation Therapy

Join Linda McSherry, ANP-C, OCN as she discusses how to understand that treatment related side effects occur and impact the quality of life of our patients and their families.

This program is designed to assist you in managing treatment related side effects including, fatigue, neuropathy, constipation, nausea, and mouth soreness. With Linda McSherry, ANP-C, OCN. This is a free class for patients with cancer, cancer survivors, and caregivers. Monday, Sept. 22, 1 to 3 p.m. Harper Conference Center (193 Main Street, Norway).

Canvas Painting Class with support from Paint the Town

SMH Cancer Center invites patients with cancer, cancer survivors, and caregivers to come paint with us. Can't draw or paint? Great! No experience necessary, it's easy and stress-free! Join Karen Schroeder-Daniels from Paint the Town as she provides simple step-by-step painting classes and a fun environment to create a masterpiece! Anyone Can Do It! Oct. 14, 2014 1 to 3:30 p.m. Harper Conference Center (193 Main Street, Norway).

Communication: Ways to Improve Talking with Your Family and Healthcare Providers

Join William Medd, MD and Pastor David Thorp as they discuss ways to

improve communication. This program will help prepare you to provide important information to your health care provider at the time of your visit. We will also explore ways to talk with your family and friends. Do you have a hard time asking for help? Can you hear yourself saying, "I don't want to bother them?"

Good communication between patients, caregivers and the health care team is very important in your care. Monday, Oct. 27, 1 to 3 p.m. Harper Conference Center (193 Main Street, Norway).

Look Good Feel Better

The SMH Cancer Center invites patients with cancer, cancer survivors, and caregivers to join us for this hands-on workshop that will discuss and demonstrate skin care/makeup as well as options for hair loss. Nov. 11, 6 to 8 p.m. SMH Cancer Center (199 Main Street, Norway).

Cancer Nutrition: Helping Patients Prepare for Treatment, Manage Side Effects and Symptoms

Join Patti-Ann Douglas, RN and Wendy Dillon, RN as they address eating challenges, incorporating healthy nutri-

tional habits into daily life, and the importance of proper nutrition during and after your cancer treatment. We will also discuss popular nutritional myths. Recipes and nutritional resources will be provided. Monday Nov. 24, 1 to 3 p.m. Harper Conference Center (193 Main Street, Norway).

Celebration Party

SMH Cancer Center Staff invites patients with cancer, cancer survivors, and caregivers to come to our celebration party. The celebration party

is only limited by one's imagination. This is an uplifting gathering to honor celebrating LIFE! It is also a way for you to connect with each other, share your memories that bring about laughter and fun. Come join us and celebrate the miracles of life and be surrounded by people who care and love as much as you do. Monday, Dec. 22, 2014 1 to 3 p.m. Harper Conference Center (193 Main Street, Norway).

All classes are free for patients with cancer, cancer survivors and caregivers.

School Lunch

SAD 44 Elementary School Lunch Sept. 18 to 26

Thursday: Chicken and gravy or Sun Butter and jelly on wholegrain bread, carrot and cabbage slaw, chilled pears.

Friday: Fish and cheese sandwich on a wholegrain roll or Sun Butter and Fluff on wholegrain bread with cheese stick, pickled beets, baby carrots, mixed fruit.

Monday: Chicken nuggets with dinner roll or Sun Butter and jelly on wholegrain bread, seasoned green beans, yellow wholegrain rice, mandarin oranges.

Tuesday: Toasted cheese sandwich with tomato soup and Goldfish crackers or Sun Butter and jelly on wholegrain bread, broccoli with low-fat dip, applesauce.

Wednesday: School pizza or Sun Butter and jelly on wholegrain bread, Caesar salad, banana or peaches.

Thursday: Super Nachos or Sun Butter and jelly on wholegrain bread, corn, Tex-Mex beans, fresh melon or apples.

Friday: Roast pork with gravy and wholegrain dinner roll or Sun Butter and Fluff on wholegrain bread with yogurt, mashed potato, seasoned carrots, diced pears.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

District Exchange; Bethel Park, 23 Mason Street, Bethel. Hours: Monday 1 to 4 p.m., Thursday 4 to 6 p.m., Saturday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon. Donations of gently-used clothing only accepted during open hours - No exceptions. FMI: 824-4090. Clothing may also be left at Northeast Bank, Main Street, Bethel Monday through Wednesday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Thursday and Friday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and Saturday 9 a.m. to 12 noon.

Bethel Area Food Pantry; serving the residents of Albany, Andover, Bethel, East Bethel, West Bethel, Bryant Pond, Gilead, Greenwood, Hanover, Locke's Mills, Mason Township, Newry, Upton and Woodstock. The Food Pantry is open on the second Monday of each month from noon to 8 p.m. Anyone in need of food should come during those hours, without appointment. The Food pantry is located in the basement of the Nazarene Church, 16 Church Street, Bethel, by the side entrance on Park Street.

Outdoor Market; 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. daily, Northern Roots Grow Supply, 3 Bird Hill Road, Greenwood. Antique and yard sale finds, handmade crafts, plants, produce or whatever you have to bring to the table. Visitors and vendors welcome. No fee for vendors, but donations accepted to support a local nonprofit organization. FMI: 875-2089.

Thursday, Sept. 18

Cruise Night; 5:30 p.m., Breaux's Too parking lot, Bryant Pond. FMI: 665-2554.

Basket Weaving Demonstration; 6:30 p.m., West Paris Library. Julie Daye will give a demonstration on the weaving of her pine needle baskets (on display at the library during the month of September) as well as a history of pine needle weaving. FMI: 674-2044.

Friday, Sept. 19

Northeast Drift Boat Championship; 3 p.m. Designed as a spectator event, the competition will test oarsmen's skills at navigating a course and rowing speed. Each drift boat must carry at least one angler, who must remain standing throughout the timed race. The launch will be from Bethel Outdoor Adventures on Route 2 and the finish line is at Davis Park in Bethel-a distance of a quarter mile. FMI: <http://bethelinn.com/site/twofly>.

Saturday, Sept. 20

Bethel Harvestfest and Chowdah Cook-off; Bethel common. Chowdah cook-off and apple pie contest, free wagon rides noon to 3 p.m., chainsaw carving demo, kids' crafts and more. FMI/Contest entry: www.bethelharvestfest.com.

Upper Andro Two-Fly Contest; 6 a.m. to 3 p.m. Teams may launch from public launch sites from the Shelburne Dam in New Hampshire to Rumford Center. A fly is defined as made from natural or synthetic materials tied to a single pointed hook. No tandems or treble hooks are allowed. Teams of three including two anglers and an oarsman must fish from a drift boat. All fish must be released live. The contest is limited to 20 teams. FMI: <http://bethelinn.com/site/twofly>.

Indoor Yard Sale; 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. Wilkins House, Plummer Hill Road, Waterford. Household items, books, games and more. All proceeds benefit the church and the Wilkins House.

Tree ID-ing SWOAM Meeting; 8:30 a.m. To find the meeting site, take the Gore Road located on Route 117 between Norway and Harrison. Travel a half mile and take a right on Bow Street. Follow this about a mile to the intersection of Ahonen Road on the left. Continue straight through the intersection onto a gravel road. Merle's driveway is about 300 feet down this road on the left. Look for the SWOAM sign and his Tree Farm sign. FMI: Call Merle at 743-5976 evenings.

Motor Madness/Downeast Dickering Birthday Bash; Oxford Plains Speedway, 9 a.m. Flea Market and Car Show, 12 p.m., Chili/BBQ Challenge, 2 p.m. Motor Mayhem, 5 p.m. Meet and Greet with Tony, Codfish and Duke, 6 p.m. Party with music and fireworks. FMI: www.OxfordPlains.com.

"Ed Muskie: Made in Maine" Book Signing; 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Bethel Historical Society's Robinson House, 10 Broad Street, Bethel. Jim Witherell, author of the recently published Ed Muskie: Made in Maine, 1914-1960 and the 2011 bestseller, L.L. Bean - The Man and His Company: The Complete Story, will be at the Society's Robinson House (10 Broad Street) signing copies of his books.

BHS Lecture: The Wilderness Act at 50; 1:30 p.m., Howe Exhibit Hall, Moses Mason House, Bethel. Join us as we celebrate the 50th Anniversary of the Wilderness Act with an illustrated program by David Govatski, a forester and environmental consultant from Jefferson, NH, who worked for the U.S. Forest Service for more than thirty years. During his presentation, Govatski will focus on Wilderness areas in the nearby White Mountain National Forest, including the 14,000-acre Caribou-Speckled Mountain

Wilderness, which lies entirely in Maine. Co-author with Christopher Johnson of Forests for the People: The Story of America's Eastern National Forests (2013), he serves on the board of directors of WhiteMountainHistory.org and is the Secretary of the Weeks Act Centennial Coordinating Committee. Free.

Public Chicken Pie Supper; First sitting 4:30 to 5:15 p.m., second sitting, 5:15 to 6 p.m., VFW Post 9787, Lower Main Street, South Paris. Sponsored by AMVETS Post 777. \$8/adults, \$4/kids 12 and under.

Public Supper; 5:30 to 6:30 p.m., West Bethel Union Church. \$8/adults, \$3/children under 12.

1st Annual Murder Mystery Benefit Trail Ride; Ellis River Riders, Andover. Proceeds to benefit Angel Flight Northeast. FMI: Audrey McKenzie (207-318-4442).

Sunday, Sept. 21

Bethel Area CROP Walk; Walk for hunger with the Bethel Area CROP Walk (Communities Respond to Overcome Poverty) at noon at the West Parish Congregational Church UCC on Park Street with a picnic potluck luncheon at 11:30. Walkers get pledges and walk 3 miles around the village of Bethel. 75% for Church World Service and 25% for Bethel Food Pantry. FMI: Jane Chandler (357-3524).

Finnish American Heritage Society Meeting; 2 p.m., Finnish-American Heritage Center, 8 Maple Street, West Paris. Following a brief business meeting and coffee social, a program entitled "Finn on the Titanic" will be presented by Tamara Cohen.

Monday, Sept. 22

Woodstock Republican Committee Meeting; 6 p.m., 61 Rumford Avenue, Woodstock. Discussion will include the recent talk by Tucker Carlson, future speakers, Fryeburg Fair, and the upcoming elections. All Republicans registered in the Town of Woodstock are welcome. Please call 665-2049 if you plan to attend.

Sept. 24, 25 and 26

Indoor Rummage Sale; Tuesday and Wednesday 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Thursday 9 a.m. to 12 p.m., Ledgeview Living Center, West Paris.

Wednesday, Sept. 24

Newry special election on school withdrawal process; 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. at Town Office.

Community Supper (No Charge); 4:30 to 6 p.m., Bethel Alliance Church, 251 Walkers Mills Road (across from Telstar parking lot). Call 207-824-2289 for more information.

MLT Talk: Changing Nature of Glaciated Landscapes; 7 to 8 p.m., McLaughlin Science Center Auditorium, Gould Academy, Bethel. Bob Elliot will present a slide and discussion program about glacial features in the area. FMI: 824-3806.

Thursday, Sept. 25

Fourth Thursday Poetry; 5:30 to 7 p.m., Rumford Public Library. Bring a poem to share. Bring a friend. Light refreshments. Free and open to the public. FMI: 364-3661.

Adult Book Discussion; 6:30 p.m., Norway Memorial Library. Book: Dracula by Bram Stoker. FMI: 743-5309.

Sept. 26, 27 and 28

GrassRoots Organizing Workshop; Bryant Pond 4-H Camp, Bryant Pond. A gathering of new and experienced organizers from Maine and northern New England to learn from each other, understand the big picture of social change, build community and organizing skills, be more effective in doing social action, and become lifelong organizers for change. Workshops include media tactics, organizing in faith communities, canvassing, direct action, and Organizing 101. Cost: \$10-80 (sliding scale) for the 3 days includes fresh, local food and rustic but comfortable housing in a beautiful setting in western Maine. FMI/Registration: Larry Dansinger, Resources for Organizing and Social Change, (207) 525-7776, rosoc@psouth.net.

Friday, Sept. 26

Eddy School Fairy Houses; 12:30 to 1:45 p.m., Mahoosuc Land Trust Nature Trail, Mayville Road, Bethel.

Recovering Our Senses in the 21st Century; 7 to 9 p.m., Therapeutic Massage, 18 High Street, Bethel. Philip Shepherd traces our culture's long journey toward disconnection and shows how its roots lie in our relationship with our bodies. He also provides some simple, practical steps for recovering the felt wholeness of your life and world. \$10 per person (Free to Radical Wholeness workshop participants). FMI: Janet Willie (824-3889 or janetwillie@yahoo.com).

Sept. 27 and 28

Radical Wholeness Workshop; Saturday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday 11 a.m. to 6 p.m., Therapeutic Massage, 18

High Street, Bethel. Workshop by Philip Shepherd on recovering the harmony of being through his techniques for reuniting conscious thinking with the deep-dwelling intelligence of the body. \$300 per person, limited to 16 people. FMI: Janet Willie (824-3889 or janetwillie@yahoo.com). Registration: www.philipsshepherd.com.

Saturday, Sept. 27

MLT Four-mile Albany Mountain Hike; 9:30 a.m., Albany Mountain Trailhead. Take Patte Brook Road off Route 5, south of Bethel. Follow signs to Crocker Pond Campground, turning left on Forest Road 18. Follow this road 0.6 miles to trailhead.

MLT Bike Trip; 10 a.m., Taylor/Newsom home: from Route 26, take Middle Intervale Road for 3 miles. Turn left on Winslow Road and drive to the second house, 0.4 miles from the intersection.

National Prescription Drug Take-Back Day; 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Oxford County Sheriff's Office, 2 Parkway, Bethel or 26 Western Avenue, South Paris. This is an opportunity for people who have accumulated unwanted, unused prescription drugs to safely dispose of those medications.

Errol Heritage Day; 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Errol, N.H. Come and be awed by World Champion Competitors in events like: the Axe Throw, Underhand Chop, Two Man Crosscut, Jack and Jill Crosscut, Bow Saw, Single Buck, Springboard, Open Chainsaw and Obstacle Pole Buck! The Commission is now looking for VENDORS and we need more SPONSORS. Anyone interested in being a Sponsor or Vendor for this event; or anyone interested in buying Raffle or 50/50 Tickets, please contact Kathleen Gingras (482-3370) or Deb Freedman (482-3884).

MLT Photo/Art/Writing Showing; 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Photos, stories and artwork celebrating the 25th anniversary of the Mahoosuc Land Trust will be on display at the MLT office. FMI: www.mahoosuc.org or 824-3806.

MLT Bike/Hiking Trip BBQ; 12:30 p.m., Taylor/Newsom home: from Route 26, take Middle Intervale Road for 3 miles. Turn left on Winslow Road and drive to the second house, 0.4 miles from the intersection. Burgers, hot dogs and buns will be provided. Please bring a dish to share. (For hikers: There will be a cooler at the trailhead to store your food).

Orange Trail Ride; Ellis River Riders show grounds, Andover. FMI: Anita Altmaler (491-5808).

O2X Summit Challenge; Sunday River, Newry. All obstacles are natural and courses are built to US Forest Service guidelines because mud pits and monkey bars are no measure of the human spirit. A weekend-long "BaseCamp" will blend on-site camping, training-and-performance exhibits, environmental outreach and a farmer's market-inspired gathering of local fare. FMI: <http://www.o2x.com/>.

Wednesday, Oct. 1

WMSC Brown Bag Lunch; 12:15 to 1:30, The Bethel Inn. Facilitator: Bonnie Pooley. Topic: The Resilient Community in the 21st Century: How can elders shape the legacy we leave our children and grandchildren? Participants are invited to bring a lunch to enjoy over a good discussion. Coffee and tea will be provided. Please RSVP by Friday, Sept. 26. FMI/RSVP: Nancy Davis (nancydavis@megalink.net or 381-1110).

Thursday, Oct. 2

Knitting and Crocheting Class with Support from Fiber & Vine; 10 a.m. to 12 p.m., SMH Cancer Center, 199 Main Street, Norway. SMH Cancer Center invites patients with cancer, cancer survivors, and caregivers to join in with some volunteers from Fiber & Vine. Bring your ongoing knit and crochet projects and/or learn to make chemo caps and prayer shawls. If needed we will provide some yarn and needles at no cost to you. This is a free class for patients with cancer, cancer survivors, and caregivers.

BHS Annual Fall Memorial Lecture - Daniel E. Heywood: His Place in the Tapestry of Wildlife Conservation; 7:30 p.m., Howe Exhibit Hall, Dr. Moses Mason House. Dr. William B. Krohn, Emeritus Professor of Wildlife Ecology, will introduce attendees to the adventures and accomplishments of Daniel E. Heywood (1869-1911), who was born and raised on a farm on the southwest shore of Umbagog Lake near the Maine/New Hampshire border. While a young boy, Heywood developed a deep appreciation of wildlife; at the same time, he quickly became an accomplished hunter, providing the Harvard ornithologist William Brewster with many rare specimens. As a woodsman who needed to make a living in the wilds, Heywood was a professional guide, hunter, and trapper. And, as a conservationist who understood the need to preserve Nature, he was a naturalist, writer, and wildlife photographer. Free.

Puzzles4Kids

by Helene Hovanec

CRISSCROSS - RHYMES WITH "YOU"

Each word will fit into one spot in the grid. Use the starting letters as a guide and fit each word into its spot. All words will be used, so cross off each one after you put it into the grid.

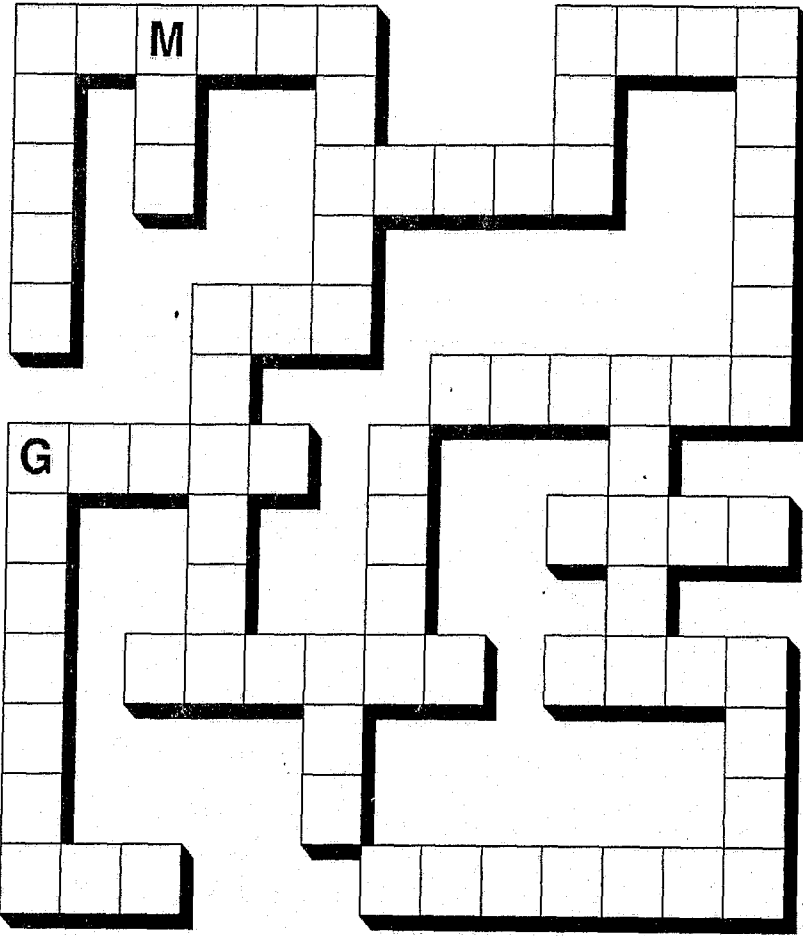
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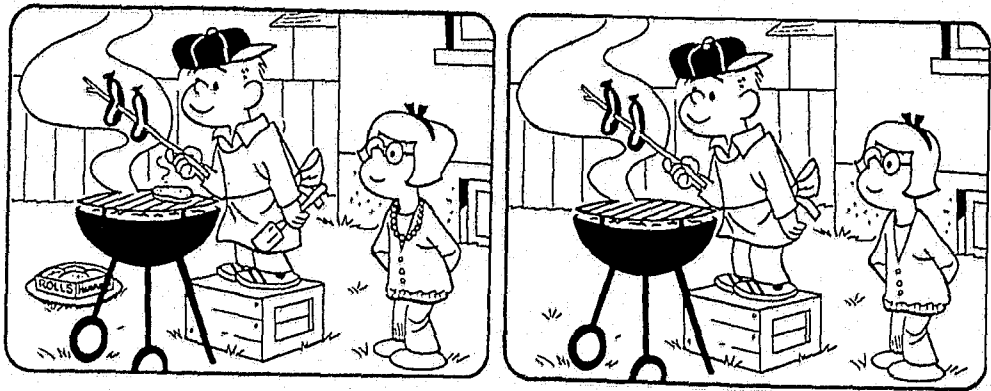


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HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF

Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences:
1. Rolls are missing. 2. Hamburger is missing. 3. Apron is shorter. 4. Spatula is missing. 5. Hair is different. 6. Necktie is missing.

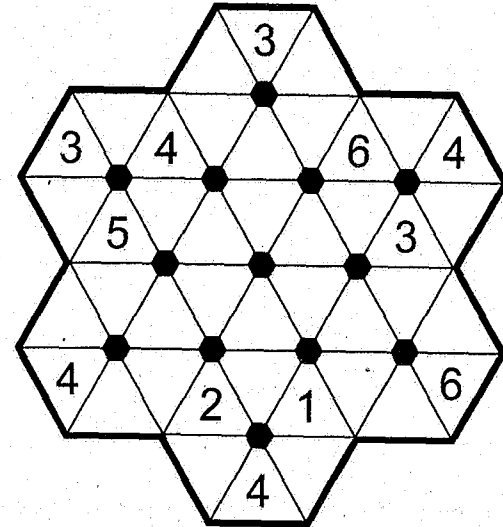
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SNOWFLAKES

by Japheth Light

There are 13 black hexagons in the puzzle. Place the number 1-6 around each of them.

No number can be repeated in any partial hexagon shape along the border of the puzzle.



DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦♦♦

♦ Easy ♦♦ Medium ♦♦♦♦ Difficult

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SCRAMBLERS

Unscramble the letters within each rectangle to form four ordinary words. Then rearrange the boxed letters to form the mystery word, which will complete the gag!

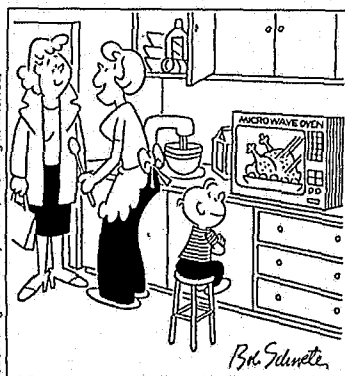
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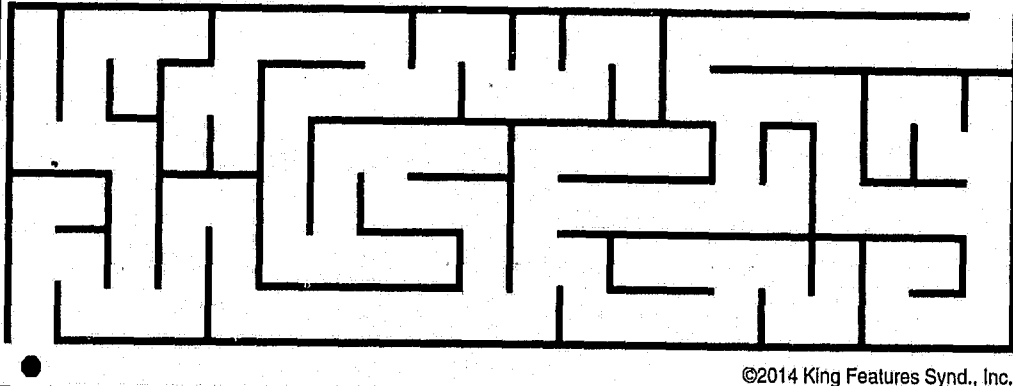


"As long as he thinks he's watching TV I can keep my eye on him and get ready at the same time."

Super Crossword PLUS FOURS

- ACROSS
1 Hank Williams' "at the Moon"
7 Office labels
15 Bitchon (dog breed)
20 Capital ESE of Istanbul
21 Added for good measure
22 Gillette razors
23 Barber'shop group trying very hard?
25 Ore's filling
26 Cher and Madonna, e.g.
27 "Tell — was dreaming!"
28 Actress Davis
29 Universal donor blood type, briefly
30 Google a synonym for "trembling"?
35 Musical sign
38 Nepal, e.g.
40 Uncle's mate
41 Employer of spies: Abbr.
42 "Rain Man" star is dormant in the summer?
47 Pt. of NCAA
- 48 Bozo
49 Tiny power source
50 Saddler's tool
51 Try to rip open
53 Ukraine city
55 "Kaboom!"
58 The Donald's first wife, after being canonized in Spain?
61 Church offshoots
62 Levi's fabric very hard?
64 Itty-bitty
65 Noted Deco artist
66 Part of a sentence written in script?
69 Carpet cleaners, in brief
73 Seasoned rice dish
75 Bible song
76 Singer with the 2009 #1 hit "Tik Tok"
77 Eve's jubilant cry after a hurricane hit Eden?
82 Chorus bit
83 Dog variety
84 Apia native
85 Gas suffix
87 Bygone ruler
- 89 Govt. rule
90 Flower part
91 Response to the aroma of good food?
97 Poetic "always"
98 Roman 2,002
99 Pro at transcription
100 Corrosive alkalis
101 Attorney specializing in petty cases?
105 Sitar player Shankar
108 Squirrel's bit
109 Ripper
110 Talk down to
114 Currently broadcasting
115 Yearnings to ride Fenis wheels, see sidehows, etc.
119 Gymnast-like
120 Obsession
121 Fight against
122 Kel's TV pal
123 Depressed
124 Diffuse slowly
- DOWN
1 Lockable fastener
2 Unfoiled by
3 Old TV's "In Cincinnati"
4 Pink-slipped
5 "The Empire Strikes Back" director
6 Easily duped
7 Cosmo and GQ, e.g.
8 Atty's title
9 Egyptian (cat breed)
10 Ardor for Bush's successor
11 Careful studier
12 Shenanigan
13 Payable now
14 Mach 2 jet
15 Come out of denial
16 Title for high ecci. officials
17 "Fame" star
18 Good (helpful sort)
19 Suffix with Canton
24 1998 Olympics site
28 Rifle rack
30 Female sib
31 Enjoy dinner
32 Fez, for one
33 Doris Day's "Sera"
34 Ukraine city
35 Opt
36 Dump truck filler
37 Outcome between two calendar spots
39 USMC motto
43 Bulk
44 — loss
45 Cars called Bugs, e.g.
46 Pie — mode
47 Ex-admiral, say
52 "— for Evidence" (Grafton novel)
54 She's not a birth parent
56 Put — (hoaxes)
57 Rival of PlayStation 3
59 Science journal language
60 Tenure much land
62 Two-part
63 Series VIP
66 Tribal group member
67 N.C. hours
68 Serious fight
70 In error
71 Tilted or feta
72 Gls' drill leaders
74 "When — door —"
76 "The King and I" co-star Deborah
- 77 Useful quality
78 Span
79 Café — (where Elsa says "Play it, Sam")
80 Rock guitar great Steve
81 Ltr. enclosure
83 Small pouch
86 Problem-free existence
88 Slept noisily
92 Feel lousy
93 Like Abner
94 GPS display
95 "— out!"
96 Snobbery
98 2006 Oscar winner Helen
102 "Presto!"
103 Owing much land
104 Declined
106 Old Olds
107 Clamps
110 Felt pity (for)
111 Threesome
112 Minus
113 90 degrees
114 Bucket wood
115 "— for Cookie"
116 Toothpaste box abbr.
117 Coq au —
118 Hatchet, e.g.

Kids' Maze

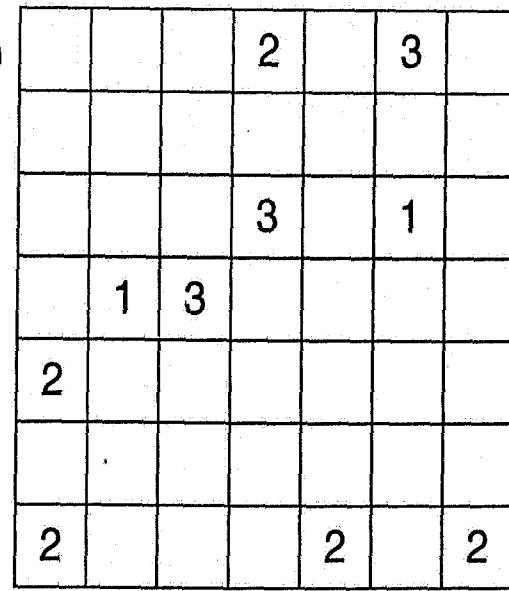


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Star★Map

By Linda Thistle

Draw a star in exactly 10 of the empty squares in the diagram so that each numbered square accurately indicates how many immediately adjacent squares (horizontally, vertically or diagonally) contain a star.



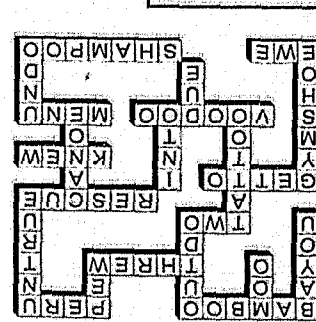
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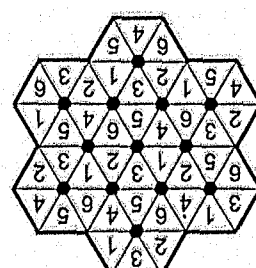
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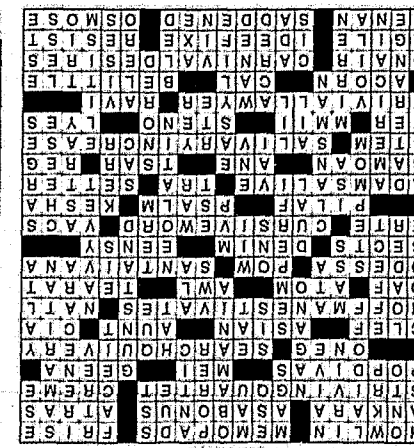
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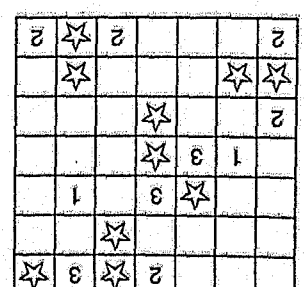
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SNOWFLAKES



Super Crossword



Star★Map

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2014

Join in the West Paris Pumpkin Run

The West Paris PTO is excited to be organizing our second annual fundraising event, the West Paris Pumpkin Run. On Sunday, Oct. 19, the school will host this community event that will include a 5K race, mile walk and 1-mile fun run. Last year's event was a huge success with over 200 participants. This year our goal is to top 300.

The event has two primary goals. First and foremost, we hope to work with children and their families to get ac-

tive and participate in the race. Secondly, we are asking for financial support from the community so this event continues to be a major fundraiser for the school.

The Agnes Gray School in West Paris is a Pre K through Grade 4 elementary school that serves between 90 and 100 local children. The PTO is responsible for raising money for many school events, especially as state and federal funding has become more limited. Field

trips for each grade, classroom library books and even winter clothes for children in need are just some of the ways the PTO benefits our children's educational experience.

The PTO has had a huge amount of support already from local businesses and individuals (over 25 local businesses have pledged their support). We would like to invite any and all members of the Oxford Hills community to participate in this run/walk event.

Again in 2014, every child participating in the fun run will be able to take home a pumpkin as a "completion award." Also, Wendy Newmeyer from Maine Balsam Fir, has designed one-of-a-kind "Pumpkin Run" balsam pillows for the top three male and female participants in each event.

The Pumpkin Run has transformed the PTO at the Agnes Gray School. Prior to the Pumpkin Run, the PTO organized many different activities to raise money.

They typical fundraiser asked families to sell various items to support the school.

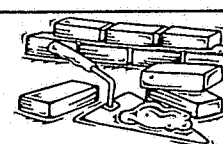
In this approach, only a small portion of the money raised actually went to the school. With the West Paris Pumpkin Run, this model completely changed. Last year, with the generous support from local businesses (West Paris, Bethel, Norway, South Paris), every dollar participants spent at this event went to the school.

The Pumpkin Run acted to coordinate a

health and exercise initiative along with fundraising for our school. Instead of asking children to sell things, we asked children and families to get out and run/walk together to support the school.

For the first time in the history of the Agnes Gray School, the third and fourth graders were able to travel to the Museum of Science in Boston last year. This trip would never have been possible if it wasn't for the success of the Pumpkin Run in 2013.

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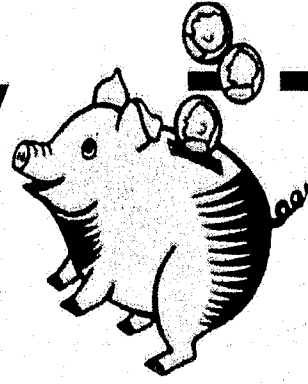
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Obituaries



KEITH PORTER SWAN

Keith Porter Swan, 65 of Bryant Pond passed away on Sept. 11 after a brief illness.

Keith graduated from Woodstock High School in 1967. He was then inaugurated into the United States Army. Keith was a Vietnam combat veteran, achieving designation of Specialist 5th class. Throughout his life he was employed in the woodworking and manufacturing industries as well as being employed by the Town of Woodstock. His most recent employment was with Tambrands. Keith served the community in civil defense in West Paris and was attending the Oxford Seventh Day Adventist Church. He enjoyed firearms, hunting and classic cars.

He is predeceased by his parents Porter Eugene Swan and Verna Whitman Swan; his brother Kenneth.

Surviving are, his daughter Casey N. Swan of Pelham, N.H.; his companion Marianna F. Field of Bryant Pond; siblings Arlene MacKillop and Andrea Hoyt both of Bryant Pond; as well as a myriad of extended family.

Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend Keith's memorial service Sunday Sept. 21 at the Seventh Day Adventist Church on Fore Street in Oxford at 1 p.m. Interment with military honors will be in the Maine Veteran's Cemetery 163 Mt. Vernon

Road Augusta at 2 p.m. on Monday, Sept. 22. Contributions in Keith's memory to The Marines Toys for Tots Foundation, The Cooper Center, 18251 Quantico Gateway Drive, Triangle, Va. 22172-1776 would be greatly appreciated.

JOHN ALBERT BUCK

John Albert Buck, age 64, of Greenwood, passed away peacefully on Saturday, Sept. 12, 2014 at home with his loving family at his side.

John was born in Rumford on Sept. 20, 1949, the son of Albert and Norma (Bean) Buck and was a 1968 graduate of Gould Academy. John also earned a Bachelor's Degree in Psychology.

He faithfully served his country in the U.S. Army in Vietnam. For most of his career, John worked at Bancroft Contracting Corp. where he was a Superintendent.

He married Deborah St. Pierre on Sept. 22, 2012.

An avid fly fisherman, John enjoyed tying flies and fishing at Horseshoe Pond in Greenville. He also loved riding his motorcycle, driving his corvette, gardening, camping, picnics and trips to Eastport. For a few years, John also was a ski instructor at Sunday River Ski Area.

He had lived in Greenwood for five years, moving there from Bethel.

John is predeceased by his father and a sister, Nancy Buck.

Surviving are his wife of Greenwood; three daughters, Grace Gendron of Poland, Rebecca Buck of Mechanic Falls, and Coral Buck of Oxford; two sons, Eric Buck of Houston, Texas, and Ian Buck of Navarre, Fla.; his mother of Oxford; two sisters, Debra and husband, Jeff of Colorado Spring, Colo., and Linda Chin of Lewiston and eight grandchildren.

A graveside service with

military honors will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 18, at Pine Grove Cemetery in West Bethel with Rev. Don Mayberry officiating. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests contributions in John's memory to the St. Joseph's Indian School, P.O. Box 5500, Chamberlain, S.D. 57326.

RAYMOND H. BRADLEY JR.

Rev. Raymond H. Bradley Jr., 85, of Wakefield R.I., and formerly of East Providence R.I., died on Aug. 29 as a result of a car accident on Aug. 10. He was the beloved husband of V. Sally (Brown) Bradley, and they were married for 56 years.

Born in Hartford, Conn., Rev. Bradley grew up and was raised in Coventry Conn.

Rev. Bradley served for over 45 years as a pastor for the United Church of Christ. Before moving to Rhode Island, he had served Congregational churches in West Bethel, Rangeley, and Phillips, Andover Conn., and the Riverside Congregational Church in Rhode Island.

Besides his wife, he is survived by his two sons, Raymond H. Bradley III of Charlestown R.I. and Richard H. Bradley of Providence, R.I.; two grandchildren, Raymond H. Bradley IV of Warwick R.I. and Erica Fitzgerald of Knoxville, Tenn.; two great-grandchildren, Jaylen B. Fitzgerald, and Raymond H. Bradley V and four brothers, Lewis, Albert, Charles and Glenn.

A memorial service will be held at a later date when Sally, who was also injured in the accident, is well enough to attend.

Memorial donations may be made to a church where Rev. Bradley had served or to the Peace Dale Dinner Table, The Peace Dale Congregational Church, 261 Columbia Street, Peace Dale, R.I. 02879. For guestbook and condolences, visit averystortifuneralhome.com.

MLT Great Outdoors Weekend activities

The Mahoosuc Land Trust will offer several opportunities to celebrate our unique corner of the world as part of Great Maine Outdoor Weekend, a statewide event that invites folks to "come play outside," Sept. 26 through 28.

On Friday, Sept. 26, students from the Eddy School will be constructing Fairy Houses along the nature trail at the Mahoosuc Land Trust office on Mayville Road in Bethel, from 12:30 to 1:45 p.m. Come and watch the masters at work! Houses will remain through the weekend, when others of all ages can try their hand at making their own.

On Saturday, Sept. 27, hikers are invited to meet at the Albany Mountain Trailhead at 9:30 for a 4-mile climb to panoramic views. Take Patte Brook road off of Route 5, south

of Bethel. Follow signs to Crocker Pond Campground, turning left on Forest Road 18. Follow this road 0.6 miles to trailhead. At 10 a.m. that morning, a bike trip along rolling hills and a geology field trip to sites of glacial evidence will both leave from the Taylor/Newsom home: from Route 26, take Middle Intervale Road for 3 miles. Turn left on Winslow Road and drive to the second house, 0.4 mile from the intersection.

Hikers, bikers and field trippers will all meet back at the Newsom home for a barbecue between 12:30 and 1 p.m. Burgers, hot dogs and buns will be provided; please bring a dish to share. (For hikers, there will be a cooler at the trailhead to store your food.)

While all this is happening, the Land Trust's 25th Anniversary Art Show

will open at the Mahoosuc Land Trust Office on Mayville Road at 11 a.m. A display of work by local photographers, artists and writers will be on view, celebrating the unique beauty of our area. In addition, there will be an opportunity to press and drink fresh cider.

Whatever your choice of activity, the Land Trust hopes that you'll make one or more of these events part of your weekend. The Mahoosuc Land Trust is an accredited community land trust encouraging public interest in conservation in central Oxford County and eastern Coos County, N.H., supporting a balance of growth and conservation and emphasizing sustainable and traditional land uses. For more information, visit www.mahoosuc.org or call 207-824-3806.

Bethel Library hosts antiques appraisal fair

On Friday, Oct. 17 from 12 noon to 4 p.m., Thomaston Place Auction Galleries' Mobile Appraisal Coach will roll into Bethel for an antiques appraisal fundraiser event hosted by the Bethel Library. Local participants will receive instant, onsite valuations by appraisers Kaja Veilleux and John D. Bottero for antique or collectible items brought to the Coach, which will be parked at the library's 5 Broad Street location. There will be a suggested donation of \$10 per item, or \$25 for 3 items, and 100 percent of the proceeds will support the Library.

Librarian Michelle Conroy said: "We are thrilled that Thomaston Place Auction Galleries' appraisal team is coming to Bethel to help us raise needed funds. It's a wonderful opportunity for people to find out what their family heirlooms and household treasures are worth, while supporting their local library at the same time."

Thomaston Place Auction Galleries' Mobile Coach is the first-of-its-kind, 36-foot-long motor coach equipped with state of the art appraisal tools and reference materials. Kaja Veilleux, President of Thomaston Place, noted: "We have been doing free appraisals every week at our Thomaston Gallery for over 25 years. We are very excited to be able to take this service on the road and support the worthwhile programs of the Bethel Library."

Participants are encouraged to bring any items that they want to have appraised to the event. If items are too large to be transported to the coach, detailed photographs can be used to determine their approximate value. There are no appointments, and each person will have a chance to meet with an appraiser on a first come, first served basis.

This unique event will help the Bethel Library raise funds to continue to expand its collection and services in the community. The library offers not only books, audiobooks, magazines, and DVDs, but also public access computers, 24-hour Wi-Fi, and downloadable e-books.

Births

Chase Grover Brooks

Justine and Travis Brooks of Bethel are pleased to announce the arrival of a baby boy, Chase Grover Brooks, born on Sept. 5, 2014 at 3:27 at Stephens Memorial Hospital, weighing 6 pounds 15 ounces.

Maternal grandparents are Barry and Claire Carver of Bethel.

Paternal grandparents are Barbara Brooks of Bethel and Jack Brooks of Bryant Pond.

Brady Grayson Wakefield

Grayson and Renee Wakefield of Bethel are pleased to announce the arrival of a baby boy, Brady Grayson, born on Sept. 3, 2014 at 8 a.m. at Stephens Memorial Hospital, weighing 6 pounds 2 ounces.

Maternal grandparents are Roderick Royer of West Bethel and Lori Royer of Bethel.

Paternal grandparents are Cynthia and Joseph Campbell of Bethel and Richard Wakefield of Greenwood.

Brady joins two sisters, Grace, age 8 and Sophia, age 4.

Amelia Noelani Benson

Jeremy and Michelle Benfield of Bethel are pleased to announce the arrival of a baby girl, Amelia No-Wakefield, born on Sept. 3, 2014 at 9:35 a.m. at Stephens Memorial Hospital, weighing 7 pounds 12 ounces.

Maternal grandparents are Ronald and Alice Deegan of Bryant Pond.

Paternal grandparents are Paul Benson of Woodstock and Kathy Benson of Bethel.

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